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The Center for Talented Youth invaded campus this week. This Hopkins sponsored program gives advanced high school and middle school students the chance to take college level classes from Hopkins faculty. During the six week program, students will stay the Alumni Memorial Residence halls.

# Student Pugwash Comes to JHU

## Science and Its Effects on Society Discussed at Homewood

by News-Letter Staff

Hopkins has long been a leader in scientific research and development. Earlier this month, students came to Hopkins' Homewood campus to discuss the ethical ramifications of rapid scientific development. Sponsored by Student Pugwash USA, the annual June conference drew student leaders from 26 countries.

### Background

Student Pugwash was inspired by a series of conferences that started in 1957 in Pugwash Nova Scotia. The original conferences began at the behest of Albert Einstein and Bertrand Russell in response to the new threat of the nuclear bomb. These forums gave scientists, policy-makers, UN officials, ambassadors, and members of academe a forum to meet and discuss the social and ethical implication of emerging science and technologies.

Student Pugwash conferences began in 1979. That first international conference provided an

intensive educational forum that is structured around small discussion-oriented working groups, with all student and professional participants living together on campus during the

Student Pugwash USA examines the impacts of science and technology in the following areas: Peace and Security, Environment, Energy, Health and Medicine, Biotechnology, Population and Development, Information Technologies, Industrial Competitiveness, and Issues of Access and Equity. These general goals are reflected in the specific topics at Pugwash's biannual conferences.

### This Conference

The title for this summer's Pugwash meeting was "Science and Technology for the 21st Century: Meeting the Needs of the Global Community." Topics for the conference included: Resource Stewardship for Environmental Sustainability, Preventive Diplomacy and Conflict Resolution for a Secure Future,

Overcoming Barriers to Health Care Education and Delivery, Meeting Societal Needs through Communication and Information Technologies, Designing the Future—From Corporations to Communities, and The Social Costs and Medical Benefits of Human Genetic Information.

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Participating in discussion and seminars on these topics, were students from 26 countries including Bangladesh, Mexico, Nigeria, Trinidad, Zambia and the United States. Also participating in the conference were 40 experts from industry and academe, who gave lectures and facilitated discussions.

### Welcome

The conference's Keynote address was given jointly by Adele Simmons and Timothy Wirth. Simmons is the President of the MacArthur Foundation and Wirth is Under-Secretary for Global Affairs of the U.S. State Department. Simmons has served on a broad range of Presidential and international committees that have looked at technology issues from a global perspective. Wirth is currently responsible for programs that address population growth, environment, science, counter-narcotics, terrorism, democracy, human rights, and refugees.

Their address focused on how emerging technologies affect the formation of policy initiatives.

### Fun and Facilities

While many of the main lectures and conferences took place in Mudd Auditorium, conference goers got to look at another part of Hopkins life: the dorms. Students from out of state and/or country could choose to stay in the now air-conditioned AMRs.

Students were not confined to the Homewood campus. In addition to whatever free time they had, Pugwash sponsored events at the Maryland Science Center for the participants.

At the Science Center, students were able to sample and observe a virtual reality machine, a global positioning system, and advanced CD-ROM technology. They also had the opportunity to observe a panel discussion that included Sheldon Segal, on of the developers of Norplant, and Theodore Taylor, the Manahattan Project Scientist who miniaturized the atomic bomb.

# Berkeley Professor Knapp to Take Charge of A&S

by Mark Binker The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

A year-long search for a new Dean of Arts and Sciences has come to an end. Johns Hopkins President William C. Richardson has announced that University of California-Berkeley Professor Steven Knapp shall take office as a Hopkins Dean September 1.

### The Vacancy

Dr. Knapp replaces Lloyd Armstrong, Jr., who became Provost at the University of Southern California a year ago. Armstrong had served as Dean of Arts and Sciences for six years. Professor Matthew Crenson of Hopkins' Department of Political Science has been Acting Dean of Arts and Sciences in the year since Armstrong's retirement.

As the new Dean of Arts and Sciences, Knapp will assume a high profile position within the Hopkins community. As well as overseeing the academic departments of Arts and Sciences, Knapp will be responsible for meeting the Krieger challenge. Knapp will also join Dean of Engineering Benedict and Dean of Homewood Student Services in tackling problems and policies on the Homewood cam-

### Background

Knapp is a 1973 graduate of Yale and earned his doctorate in English from Cornell in 1981. He was promoted to associate professor at Berkeley in 1985 and in 1992 was made a full professor. After heading several Berkeley English Department committees, serving as that department's graduate chair since 1992, and as acting chair of the department for two summers, Knapp was in line to become permanent chair in the autumn

Knapp is a specialist in 18th and 19th century English literature and in literary theory. He has authored two books, six solo papers, and has delivered several papers. In addition, he has co-authored several papers with Walter Ben Michaels, who is currently teaching at the Homewood campus. Knapp's second book,

published last year, was titled "Literary Interest: The Limits of Anti-Formalism."

### High Praise and the Work Ahead

"Steven Knapp is a highly regarded scholar and a very able leader, with a strong sense of the importance of collaboration across disciplinary lines to the future of the liberal arts and sciences," said Dr. Richardson in a press release. This means that Knapp will be expected not only to be familiar with the English department, but will have to coordinate the interests of all Arts and Sciences departments. Knapp will also find himself helping to oversee serveral working cooperative efforts between Arts and Sciences and the School of Engineering as well

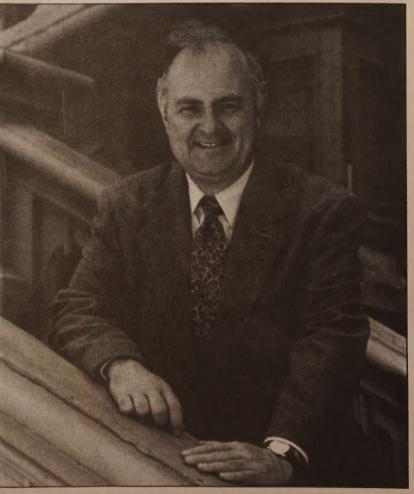
as among Arts and Sciences's own divisions.

Knapp was quoted in a press release as saying, "There's a lot that can be done in a place like Hopkins to help to define the future of higher education...That's not something I see myself as bringing to Hopkins. It's something I see already going on there. That's what makes me eager to contribute to the ongoing work at Hopkins." The future dean said that what initially attracted him to Hopkins was "the kind of institution that Hopkins is," a relatively small university with "an extremely distinguished graduate prgram."

### The Search Committe

The search committee that eventually recommended Knapp to President Richardson was headed by Provost Joseph Cooper. In the same press release, Cooper said that "Faculty and students in the School of Arts and Sciences will find Steven Knapp to be a dean with discerning intelligence, dedication to excellence, human sensitivity and calm temperament....He will be a dean who both leads and listens and we are fortunate to have attracted him."

Dr. Knapp has two children, Jesse 11, and Sarah, 8. His wife, Diane, recently left her post as manager of the Clinical Nutrition Department at Children's Hospital Oakland and now works at home raising their children.



Peg Skorpinski/Courtesy Hopkins News and Information Dr. Steven Knapp will take over the Hopkins School of Arts and Sciences.



Adele Simmons codelivered the keynote adress for Student Pugwash 1994.

# Professors Honored for **Excellence** in Classroom

The Johns Hopkins Alumni Association honored 15 Hopkins professors with 1994 Excellence in Teaching Awards. These awards help to publicly recognize the important role of teaching at Hopkins, and those professors who stand out not only as researchers but as instructors. Following is a list of the 15 awardees:

Arts and Sciences:

Bruce Barnett-professor of physics and astronomy Gary Posner—Scowe Professor of chemistry, professor of biology and professor of environmental chemistry

**Continuing Studies** 

Stephen Barker—professor of philosophy, Division of Liberal Arts
Bonnie Robeson—adjunct faculty, Division of Business and Management

Rose M. Ray-adjunct faculty, Division of Education

Engineering

Roberts C. Cammarata—associate professor of materials science and engineering Edward R. Scheinerman—associate professor of mathematical sciences

Thomas D. Pollard-Bayard Halsted Professor, director of cell biology and anatomy

Nursing

Jerilyn Allen-assistant professor Arlene Butz-assistant professor and graduate instructor

> Peabody Frederick Prausnitz-faculty

> > **Public Health**

David Clyde—adjunct professor of immunology and infectious diseases Charles Rohde-professor and chairman of biostatistics Debra Roter-professor of health policy and management

SAIS

Max Corden—professor of international economics

# Kaplan Offers New Service to Students

Test Drive Gives Students Opportunity for Real-Time Practice

by Mark Binker The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Kaplan Education Center began a free service in the spring that will continue. Their "test drive" provides students with the opportunity to take practice GRE, GMAT, LSAT, MCAT, and other pre-graduate school exams.

Kaplan representative Leslie Sporn says that the tests are developed to be "just like an exam you would take." These practice exams simulate the real exam in timing, the number and type of questions, and administration.

These tests require "no commit-

effective July 1, 1994. The new trustees are:

Trading and Production Corporation, Baltimore.

**Board of Trustees** 

master's degree recipient from the school of Arts and Sciences.

**Elects New Members** 

In a press release, the Johns Hopkins University announced that six new

members had been elected to the board of trustees. Their appointments become

°Constance R. Caplan, who is present of Time Reality Inc., Baltimore and a 1978

<sup>o</sup>Kenneth M. Duberstein who is chairman and CEO of the Duberstein group.

Naneen H. Neubohn who is managing director for Morgan Stanley Interna-

tional investment banking division in London and a 1964 graduate of the School

Walter D. Pinkard Jr. who is president and CEO of Colliers Pinkard, Baltimore.

°Louis B. Thalheimer who is chairman of the board and CEO of the American

James K. Webber who is a 1994 graduate of the School of Arts and Sciences.

Webber is this years "Young Trustee," and underwent a process that included a

ment on the part of the student," said Sporn. This means students are not required to pay any kind of fee or take a Kaplan course in the future.

In addition to the actual testing, students also have their exams scored and analyzed. This analysis tells student where their weak points and strong areas were on the test.

Kaplan also provides a free refreshment and information session after the test. This session provides test strategies and strategies to get into graduate

Sporn emphasized that Kaplan received no compensation for any of the three test drive services. She did admit, however, that Kaplan would not mind if students took advantage of their services to improve their test scores.

We have found that students view the test drive as a very valuable service," said Sporn. She said that after receiving results from the practice test, many decide not to take one of the preprofessional exams or decide between taking two of the tests.

An other advantage for students who do decide to take a test is that the practice exams are conducted as they are in real life. The same format and administrative features that occur on the real test day occur during the practice. This familiarizes the student and relieves the element of the unknown on test day. Being familiar with the exam helps the student be more comfortable during the real test.

Kaplan will be offering "test drive" services again to the Hopkins community on July 19 and August 2. The exam materials have been updated since the first test, and will reflect any major revisions to any of the preprofessional school exams.

A big change to the GMAT exam will be reflected both in Kaplan's practice test and their new course materials. The GMAT is the business school general exam and will now require two scored essays. These essays will take thiry minutes apiece and reflect changes in other exams like the MCATs.

# Computer Job Searches Help Graduates Find Post-Collegiate Work

vote by underclassmen

of Advanced International Studies.

by Marco Buscaglia College Press Service

Beginning a job search is never easy for college seniors. However, the ever-increasing amount of information available via the computer superhighway is providing an electronic alternative to the traditional job search.

John Abriano, a senior at Penn State University, faced the grueling task of putting his diploma to work. He, like many college seniors, began the job search through the traditional avenues of newspaper ads and employment services. He changed his approach, however, after "discussing" the trials of the out-of-work college graduate one night on CompuServe, an online computer network.

"People were suggesting that I use the computer for my job hunt," Abriano says. "I spent the next few nights on the bulletin board, asking around about

In less than two weeks, Abriano accepted an offer from a cellular phone company in New York. "My roommates were kidding me about finding work without ever leaving my couch,' he said. "It wasn't quite that casual, but I have to admit it was pretty simple."

During a time when many corporaons continue to cut back on campus recruiting, students are turning to their personal computers for job leads.

Students at Emory University in Atlanta are using various software packages to input their resumes on a system that can be reviewed by potential employers, and the university has developed its own software program that enables recruiters to place job listings on a database accessible to all Emory students.

Emory also is working with other universities, such as Brandeis, Duke, Georgetown, New York, Vanderbilt and Tulane, to develop a computerized career hotline. The hotline would enable students from all participating universities to scan the database for job listings. "This way a Brandeis student who wishes to relocate to Atlanta can obtain local contact names and job openings," says Tariq Shakoor, director of the school's career center, "while Emory students who wish to move to Boston can do the same.'

More and more, college career placement offices faced with shrinking budgets are using computer databases to pool resources, adds Shakoor. "Turf attitudes are softening," says Shakoor. "It's in our best interest to share when resources are so limited."

Meanwhile, various online jobhunting services are helping to match up thousands of applicants with prospective employers. Online Career Center, a non-profit organization based in Indianapolis, lists 12,000-14,000 job openings and over 18,000 resumes within the service, and the numbers are constantly increasing, says Bill Warren, the center's executive director.

"We get about 150 resumes every day," he says. "People are realizing there are many alternatives to the standard job search."

The center if funded by more than 40 corporations and is able to offer its services at no charge to subscribers to

services like CompuServe, Prodigy and America Online. "Because of online computers, we really are in every college campus in the country," he adds.

While the online service is used by large corporations like MCI and AT&T, Warren says that small businesses benefit from the service as well A machine shop in Tulsa can search for the most qualified engineer without taking out a lot of ads," he says. "It

really opens up the possibilities for

So, how does job hunting in cyberspace work? Those looking for obs can scan through the list of opportunities. Those looking for people to hire begin their search by entering keywords about their prospective employees. "We advise people to use the same resume they would normally send out," Warren says. "Any keyword that would be typed for a data search is something that would probably be on a resume anyway. There's really no dif-

In addition to specific services such as the Online Career Center, students are floating their resumes on online bulletin boards and networking through electonic chatlines. "It's a valuable tool for a job search," says Bob Perkins, a customer relations specialist for CompuServe. "People also use the various forums to leave messages. Some people who are looking for a job will write that and will indicate what they're looking for.

But not everyone agrees on the effectiveness of job hunting electronically, at least not yet. "There may be a time when job searches through your computer will provide some usefulness, but I doubt it will have any significant impact on the marketplace now," sayd Victor Lindquist, director of placement at Northwestern University. "You have about as much chance as getting a job through your computer as you do answering a blind ad in a large metropolitan newspaper.

Lindquist says he also doubts that most hiring personnel take the time to look over each resume on a computer. But Lindquist's biggest concern with the computerized job searches is that "it's a passive approach," he says.

"It is kind of a meek way to bring yourself to the market," he adds. "You are not really initiating the contact with the employer. You're not getting to the individual who does the hiring. That takes work. It's an active proce-John Challenger, a partner in the

Chicago-based outplacement firm of Challenger, Gray and Christmas, says that online searches are only one aspect of a more involved job-hunting process. "The computer, like the fax machine before it, has become a way to speed up the job search," he says. 'The ultimate goal is still that face-toface interview. Using a computer is only a way to pique an employer's interest."

# Around the Nation: Briefs Off the Wire

### Stanford Men Organize Themselves Against Rape

STANFORD, Calif. - In an effort to combat rape, a Stanford University student has started a rape prevention

"Why should women have to take self-defense classes when it isn't their responsibility to stop rape?" asked Matthew Mitzel, who helped organize the program. "It should be men learning how not to rape, rather than the women learning how not to be raped."

Last year Mitzel helped to organize Stanford's first Men's Collective, 10 male students who meet two hours a week to discuss ways to prevent sexual

The meetings are a forum for men to express their feelings about women, sex and relationships, Mitzel said.

'The idea is not to be accusatory toward men, but to say that this is a problem that concerns us, and we need to work together to solve it," Mitzel

Mitzel's concern about rape began during a relationship that he had with a female student who was afraid of being raped. Her fears affected her life, the clothes she wore and how she behaved.

'For some crazy reason, I believed in freedom and equality...and this to me was saying that there really isn't any freedom and equality," Mitzel said. "I wanted to change that."

-College Press Service

### **Purdue Students** Invent 'Green' Crayons

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. -Three Purdue University students looking for new uses for soybeans have invented crayons that are as Earthfriendly as they are kid-friendly.

As part of a university-wide competition sponsored by the Purdue Department of Agronomy and the Indiana Soybean Development Council, the winning students were awarded \$5,000 for their invention, which they have dubbed "Earth Colors."

The crayons are petroleum-free and composed entirely of biodegradable materials. Using hydogenated soybean oil instead of petroleum-derived parafin, the students manipulated the ingredient mix and manufacturing processs to come up with a crayon that comparable in color, appearance and firmness to leading brands of crayons. The crayons are nontoxic and wash-

The students - sophomores Thomas Chang, Jocelyn Wong and Don Rote — are considering a patent on their process. Ironically, Rote and Chang are colorblind. Chang can't distinguish shades of red and green; Rote has trouble with purples, reds, greens

'It made it very interesting in the lab when I asked them what they thought about the color," Wong says. -College Press Service

### **Boca Raton Film Contest** Deadline Reset

BOCARATON, Fla.—The Alamo American Film Competition for Students has extended the deadline for entries until June 3.

Cash awards totaling \$10,500 from Alamo Rent A Car and \$1,000 grants from Eastman Kodak will be given to college students who produce winning films in five categories: narrative, documentary, experimental, music video and public service announcement. Call (800) 330-8089 for more information. —College Press Service

Scrounging Old Scrap

Computers for New

Classroom Activities

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. - Old

computers once left to languish in a

spare room or be relegated to the trash

heap are finding new uses in inner-city

classrooms and schools in rural areas.

An organization at Penn State Uni-

versity called SCROUNGE -- Students for Computer Recycling to Offer Underrepresented Groups in Education - are delivering computers that have been replaced by their owners to schools in need of the equipment.

"We are trying to find computers at are being retired and relocate them Avoid Ice Cubes When to schools in the inner city and rural areas where they can enhance education " says Heather Liszka, a Penn State senior majoring in engineering science and mechanics.

Developed as an offshoot of the Penn State chapter of American Engineers for Social Responsibility and sponsored by the Penn State-based Pennsylvania Space Grant Consortium, SCROUNGE is looking to expand its program to other university towns.

"At the moment, most of the computer equipment is coming from Penn State departments and faculty or from the State College area," says Liszka. "We would like to expand, perhaps opening chapters near other major universities and include donations from businesses.

SCROUNGE tries to limit the equipment it places in schools to computers that will have some use to students and educators. That means that at times, SCROUNGE has to turn away very old machines or models that are not MAC or IBM compatible.

The student group picks up computer equipment and tests it out before delivering it to schools. Software, training and support are also part of the

Anyone interested in starting a SCROUNGE chapter or donating comBuilding, Penn State, University Park, Pa. 16802, or call (814) 863-7687. -College Press Service

puters, printers or software should con-

tact SCROUNGE at 101 South Frear

# Traveling to Foreign Lands

HOUSTON - Trekking in Tibet this summer? Backpacking in Latin America? Then the Baylor College of Medicine has a travel tip for you: avoid

In less developed areas of the world, wise travelers will shun anything made from water that may not have been properly treated, says Dr. James H. Runnels of the Travel Medicine Ser-

"For liquids, your best bet is carbonated beverages or drinks made with boiled water," he says.

While some travelers may assume bottled water is a safe bet, Runnels advises caution. "Even bottled water should be carbonated. Otherwise, it may be nothing more than a bottle that was refilled at the tap.'

In areas where water may be dangerous, travelers should avoid nondisposable glasses and cups. Untreated water also should not be used for brushing teeth, cleaning contact lenses or washing hands before eating. Water for these activities should be boiled for one minute for each 1,000 feet above sea level.

-College Press Service

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# Errata

The following errors appeared in the June 3 Summer issue of the Johns Hopkins News-Letter.

On page 11, the opinion piece titled "Catholicism: An Unrepentent Approach" was not given a byline. The author of that article was John

•The page one story headlined "About Summer Issues" stated that the News-Letter had not produced summer issues before. We have since been informed that summer issues were produced 20 years ago.

The News-Letter regrets these errors.

# Features & Science

classes. The choices were to take regular classes

with Spanish students at the University of Seville, courses for foreigners which were open

to all study abroad programs, or CIEE-students

only courses. I took the CIEE-students only

track because it has smaller classes with 5 to 20

students, professors who were recommended

by previous students, and all the liberal arts

orientation class and later chose five classes.

All of the professors were faculty of the Uni-

versity of Seville, and all course work was in

Spanish. At first this was quite difficult, mainly

due to everyone's shyness, but after awhile the

professors drew us out into class discussions,

and the readings started to make more sense.

Most of my classes were enjoyable and interesting, but the learning process was very differ-

ent from here at Hopkins. I learned more from

When I first arrived, I took a three-week

classes that I wanted to take.

# Spain: From Sevilla to Salamanca

Photos and Essay by Marla Smith The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

This past fall I decided that I needed a break from Hopkins. Being a junior double majoring in Art History and Spanish, this was very easy to accomplish. I went over to Academic Advising, looked through some study abroad brochures, and picked a program that sounded

The decision of where I wanted to go was not really difficult to make. I had been to northern Spain for a summer program in high school and knew that I wanted to return for a longer period of time. Madrid seemed just like any large city and lacked any special Spanish character. In Barcelona the first language is Catalan and not what we call Spanish; therefore I did not want to go there. Instead I settled on Seville, the fourth largest city in Spain and the capital of the southern region of Andalusia.

Picking which program to attend was a little more difficult. I compared locations, prices, living accommodations, course offerings, extracurricular activities and many more aspects of the programs. I chose the Council on International Educational Exchange Liberal Arts Program in Seville, Spain. CIEE offers a variety of options and the degree of freedom that I was looking for.

I lived with a family of six that had children ranging in age from 25 to 9. CIEE locates the families and pays them a monthly fee which covers the student's room and board. Although our three-bedroom apartment was rather small for all of us, my family was wonderful. They tried to include me as one of the family without going overboard and interfering in my life. This was very important during the holidays,



Marla and friend share a banana on the rock of Gibraltar.

when I probably would have felt lost without the family's guidance. I had never lived with a younger brother before, and that was quite an experience for me, especially since in Spain the children are the rulers of the household. The family's friendliness was the most important element to my good adjustment to Spanish life. The other housing possibilities were to live with a single woman, to stay in a "residencia" which is a house in which many rooms are rented to students, or to receive the monthly stipend from CIEE and find your own apartment. I learned a lot from my family, more than I would have ever learned in the classroom.

CIEE also offers several different types of

talking to people and from daily life than I did I would have liked to take classes with Spanish students, but the differences in our educational systems makes this option nearly impossible. The Spanish system is designed for specialization. Students must chose whether they will specialize in sciences or letters while still in high school, and once admitted into a "facultad" such as History, Law, Engineering, or Medicine they are not permitted to study anything else. The classes, which are yearlong, are so specialized by the third or fourth year (most programs are five or more years) that any foreign student would be lost. Spanish higher education also suffers from many problems, such as overcrowded classrooms, overemphasis on exams, lack of resources, and disinterest on the part of the underpaid and

adequate solutions.

### **Holidays**

overworked professors. Most blame the socialized system for these problems but can find no

My life in Spain was not entirely filled with books and classes. One wonderful aspect of being in southern Spain in the spring was the abundance of holidays. In February, they started off with Carnaval in the coastal city of Cadiz, the oldest city in Western Europe first settled by the Phoenecians. A precursor of Mardi Gras, this was a week filled with nocturnal partying, masked and costumed revelers singing, drinking, dancing and playing tricks on each other throughout the night

During Semana Santa, or Holy Week, the streets of Seville and most Spanish cities filled with floats carrying the images of Christ and Mary from their home churches to the cathedrals. These spectacular floats, decorated with flowers and candles, represented the Passion of Christ and were accompanied by parades of Nazarenos — penitents dressed in robes similar to those of the KKK —, women in mantillas the typical black lace veil —, and musicians. Night and day these processions could be found, and Seville, where this tradition is one of the strongest and most extravagant in Spain, was filled with a festive atmosphere. I used this week as an opportunity to travel to northern Spain and was able to see the differences in the





A man in traditional Spanish riding garb and his lady wearing a blue and white festive costume ride by onlookers during sevillanas.

### **April Fair**

processions of different cities.

Three weeks after Semana Santa Seville was ready for the next celebration, the April Fair. This festival began as a horse fair in the nineteenth century but bears little resemblance to one now. An area on the outskirts of the city was prepared with colorful tents called "casetas" and decorated with paper flowers and lights, and this is where all the action — eating, drinking, singing, and dancing — took place. The men and women with horses and horse carriages dressed in a type of Spanish cowboy outfit and visited the "casetas" where they were offered free food and drink. Almost all the young women wore flamenco dresses and danced the typical dance of Seville, the "sevillanas." I joined in as well, learning how to dance and donning a flamenco dress.

### Travel

I also took advantage of the light workload to travel. However, this is the one aspect for

which Seville is not ideally suited. As it is located in the south of Spain, it takes a very long time to get anywhere else. My friends and I did not let this deter us. We visited Lisbon, Portugal, and Morocco on three-day weekends, traveled to cities of Andalusia which include Granada, Cordoba, Cadiz, Ronda, Jerez de la Frontera, and Malaga, and explored some of the towns surrounding Seville. During our week-long vacations, we went further away: north to Salamança, Leon, La Coruna, and Santiago de Compostela during Semana Santa, and to Toledo and Madrid during the April Fair. After classes let out in May, I took two weeks to go to Barcelona and Paris. Many students planned to spend the summer traveling through Europe.

Yes, that's right: after my exciting semester abroad I was more than ready to return home to the United States and to Hopkins. Of course it was sad to say good-bye to my Spanish family and friends, but I was glad to be going back to my real family and friends here. I learned a lot this spring about Spanish, about living in a different society, and about myself, but I also learned to appreciate what I have here.



This monument in Lisbon commemorates Christopher Columbus discovery of the New World. (top). The Giralda is part of a mosque that became Seville's cathedral, and is recognized as that city's chief emem. (left) At a Jerez de la Frontera bodega a guide pours a taste of sherry





This tomb, in El Escorial, houses the remains of Don Juan de Austria, the historical figure that gave birth to the legend of the mythical Spanish lover. through the night-time streets of Leon.





Mimes in Lisbon help celebrate Portugal's capital city being the 1994 Cultural Capital of Europe



Semana Santa: A virgin in Seville rides from her church through the streets (left) Female Nazarenos carry their float

### **Features & Science**

# Students Bare All for Psychology

Students in the Buff Party to Make a Point About Social Taboos

by Louise Tutt The Daily Nexus

SANTA BARBARA, Calif.—The bare essentials of human nature was the topic of conversation for a gather-

recently disrobed to eat strawberries

About 150 people shed their inhibitions and their clothes in early April in an attempt to relate to one another on a different level, unhindered by the baring of UC-Santa Barbara students who riers they believe clothing constructs

# Can Hopkins Go Naked?

Stripping Down at Hopkins Is Not Too Easy

by M.G. Ackenbomb The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

The College Press Service reports that a bunch of students in Santa Barbara, California stripped down for a wine and cheese party. "Once you get your clothes off, you realize it's not such a big deal - bodies are bodies,"

quipped one party goer. Apparently these feisty Californians feel that Americans have problems with body consciousness. I do not think this party would be such a big deal here at Hopkins. Not that it would be normal for a bunch of Hoppies to strip down and play pool, but I think most of us would handle it differently

I think instead of being nervous and standing their ground near the punch bowl, lots of us would take the opportunity to study for the MCAT. "Sure," someone will say, "as long as we are all naked we might as well get a leg up on our anatomy." Leave it to Hopkins students to turn a socially anxious moment into an opportunity to study.

What then, would be the Hopkins equivalent? How would Hopkins students "bear all to break down social barriers?" What can be stripped from the body of psyche of the average Hoppie to make them feel naked before the world? Let's invite folks to the unsocial event of the year on a case by

For those Freshmen coming in the fall, the CTY kids here now, and those upper-classmen hanging on a little too hard to their youth, we shall strip you of high school. That's right, hand over your yearbooks. You were captain of the cheerleaders? Forget that 1450 on your SATs! So what! High school's over, or at least it should be

True, it was your transcripts, test

and drink wine.

you here, but let's be current. Instead

of talking about how you won the "big

Next, we go for the grad students.

Yup, those in our community just a

little older than the average under-

graduate who have learned all the words

in the thesaurus. True, most of us could

stand to use more eloquent words, but

grad students tend to hide behind the

bulwarks of the language. With Roget

in one hand and Webster in the right

they fend off the annoying encroach-

ments of those less gifted. These

wielders of weighty words, should

come bereft of behemoth herbage to

this party, and use only those elements

of the language under three syllables.

For extra bonus points, they may come

dressed in bright clashing colors, no

friends at Student Council. I motion

that they abandon Parliamentary pro-

cedure for the evening. No tables, gav-

els, or chairs allowed. Feel free to

interrupt at any time without being

recognized by anyone. Instead of pass-

ing legislation, maybe they can work

out solutions by simply talking about

what the problem is and offer sugges-

self-satisfied humor column writers,

we know who we are. When you,

whomever you are, come to this party,

leave your wit and wisdom behind and

be polite. No smart remarks or one

liners. And no picking on anyone By the way, this party is BYOP-

This last suggestion goes out to

tions. Am I out of order?

This next condition goes out to our

thing in the last three months.

artificial front that most of your pergame" in high school, let's talk about sona grows from. what you are doing now. Sure, you Belic, whose intention was to exmight not be THE best at everything plore how the taboo of nudity in socihere, but let's at least live in the present. ety affects relationships and individu-You must have accomplished someals' perception of self, said that relating without hiding behind clothes is the

and nudity confronts.

'X-Hibition' was the brainchild

of Roko Belic, an art studio senior

frustrated by society's attitude toward

nudity. Belic approached a group of

his friends with the idea of spending an

evening completely naked - strip-

ping themselves of the layers of super-

ficial masks people wear to conduct

comfortable with your body, then you

cannot be comfortable with your

mind," Belic said. "You create an

'If you're unable to be completely

human relationships, he said.

only way to truly confront the issues. Touching and body contact doesn't happen in Western society. We have this barrier around us," he said. "That barrier is dropped in the relationships here this evening. That can't be done in any other way.

A calm atmosphere, heavily lubricated by wine, created a situation where participants spoke naturally and were

"Once you get your clothes off, you realize it's not such a big deal bodies are bodies," said Gwen Vilches, an anthropology major who just graduated. "Clothes are more eroticized in our society.

Stereotypes and objectification make it especially difficult for a woman to feel comfortable naked, she said.

'Women's bodies are objectified and so they worry about their shape. Men just worry about the size of their penises," she said. Some people took more time than

others, but as the festivities progressed and more wine was consumed, they undressed as well. "It's not as weird as you think,"

said Lexi Coffee, a junior. "It makes you look at things in a different way. When else are you ever going to be

The participants agreed the evening was an unqualified success. "I have a different kind of bond with these people now that I will never have with anyone else! Belie said.

# How To Backpack Europe, Cheap

by Amy Plummert College Press Service

A college education almost seems incomplete without a stint in Europe, not to mention that it could make you more independent and marketable to future employers. You don't have to be rich or brilliant to spend two to four weeks safely slumming it through the world cities on the other side of the Atlantic. But you do have to be resourceful, adventurous, and, yes, determined.

### **Getting There**

If you're thinking of going this summer, apply for your passport at the nearest passport agency ASAP. Even if you aren't sure your trip will come through, do it anyway - you can't wait till the last minute to get a passport unless, of course, you like getting ulcers and don't mind gambling on missing your flight.

As an American, at this writing, you don't need a visa to get into most of the countries in Europe for up to three months, except for Bulgaria and Romania. Check with the embassy/consulate of the country in question before you go to make sure.

Next, get a good and current guidebook, such as "Europe: The Rough Guide" or one of the Berkeley guides, and look for organizations that offer deals on airfares. The brokers of cheap tickets are too numerous to mention here, but they do exist and, with some tenacity, you'll be able to get a decent fare. For air/ ground/hotel-type combos, try New Frontiers at (800) 366-6387 and Contiki Holidays at (800) 466-0610.

### What To Take

Pack a backpack, of course, but not the one you carry around campus. Buy a large, sturdy, waterproof (if possible) variety that can hold at least a week's worth of clothes. Pack only essentials and determine what those are by looking at your proposed itinerary and the forecast. You'll mostly need shorts and Tshirts and shoes that you don't mind walking in for eight to 10 hours a day. Take one nice outfit (Dockers cross-cultural experience, and to meet

for guys, sundress for girls) to wear when you splurge on a show or go to church. You've probably been told to carry your luggage around for a while at home to make sure you can manage it, but who ever does this? DO IT. You will be grateful you packed the minimum, because even that will seem like a ton in no time at all. Mail home any souvenirs and the guidebooks you've finished to lighten your load. Take along a mini-backpack for

day outings-guidebooks, maps, film, Walkman, picnic lunch, swimsuit and towel fit nicely in these - but keep your money and passport closer to your body in a hidden, secure pouch. Lots of people wear the "fanny packs" that fasten around the waist, but thieves can easily cut the straps just like they do purses. If you find yourself a crime victim, you can at least get Mom and Dad to send some fast cash via Western Union. Don't bring jewelry that's worth anything — it's just one more thing you have to keep an eye on. It's not that Europe is a dangerous place; tourists just make easy targets anywhere in the world. Keep that in mind when you pack.

### **Getting Around**

Train travel is definitely the most popular way to do Europe, and for good reason: It's cheap, it's easy and it's flexible. With a Eurail pass, you can visit 17 countries, hopping on and off the trains as you please within a certain period of time. A 15-day pass, for example, costs \$326-460, depending on how many buddies you book with and how many days of the 15 you'll be using the train. You have to buy this pass before you leave the United States, though. You can get one through RailEurope, at (800) 848-7245.

Save up to 75 percent on ground transportation by renting a car through the Peugeot New Car Student Plan. If you're at least 18, you can lease a brand-new Peugeot for two weeks for \$429. Split among four passengers, that's only \$107 per person. For reservations, call (800) 678-0678.

### Where To Crash

Stay in youth hostels for the best

other people of your own age. It's like having a slumber party at a young United Nations. Hostels get pretty busy in the summertime, so it makes good sense to book them in advance, if possible. Join Hostelling International (the former International Youth Hostel Association) and get a pocket guide to European hostels (\$8-16/night) and other discounts. Call (202) 783-6161. The Y's Way International (the worldwide network of YMCA-affiliated organizations) is another good, safe option for low budgets (about \$40 per night); call (212) 308-2899 for worldwide reservations.

The Council on International Educational Exchange's Student Travels magazine listed the following de rigeur hangouts recently: The Charles Bridge in Prague (the "Haight Ashbury of the '90s with an Eastern European flair"), Windmill Lane in Dublin (U2's recording studio), Jim Morrison's grave in Paris, The Pink Palace on Corfu, Greece (the "Club Med for backpackers"), Alcantara-Marin Lisbon (a disco throwback club drawing 'princes to paupers'') and The Garage in London (trendy shopping/ people watching warehouse). Get a free copy of this totally hip magazine by calling (212) 661-1414.

• Get an autographed copy of the backpacker's bible, "Vagabond Globetrotting State-of-the-Art," by M.L. Endicott for only \$8.95. This fascinating guide has the most creative budget travel information anywhere. The author is covering postage and handling himself for this special offer. Send check or money order for \$8.95 to M.L. Endicott, P.O. Box 20837, St. Simons, Ga. 31522-0437.

• Driving Through Europe? Don't waste any time trying to decipher maps and put together routes. Get the computer program, Automap Destination Europe (\$29.95) — an add-on product for Automap's "Road Atlas" (\$59.95) - which creates customized routes and maps linking 8,400 cities and 250,000 miles of motorways, autobahns and autoroutes in Europe. Call (800) 440-MAPS (6277) and identify yourself eras a student to get a 10% discount



# Brain Region Linked To Schizophrenia in Humans

by Laura Greening The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Scientists at the Johns Hopkins Hospital have discovered a link between the physical size and appearance of a region of the human brain to schizophrenia. The region, known as the planum temporal (PT), is located near both temples and is associated with language comprehension.

The study examines the relative sizes of the left and right PT in 14 schizophrenic patients and 14 controls. All in the study were right-handed, and controls were carefully matched to schizoprenics on the basis of age, sex, and economic level. According to Dr. Godfrey Pearson, a psychiatrist and co-author of the study, "Structures related to language, those parts of the brain that make us uniquely human, tend to be larger in the left side in most

Dr. Pearson and co-author Dr. Patrick Barta presented their findings at a recent meeting of the American Psychiatric Association in Philadelphia. Of the schizophrenic patients, 13 of 14 had a larger right PT, compared to 2 of 14 controls. The left PT of the schizophrenics was abnormally small

While the PT had previously been implicated in schizophrenia, Dr.

"If you stimulate the PT electrically, a person hears complex sounds similar to a schizophrenic's auditory hallucinations."

-DR. GODFREY PEARSON

Pearson pointed out that "sidedness" had never been examined. "Sidedness develops relatively early; it's fully obvious by the 32nd week of pregnancy," Dr. Pearson noted. "Although our study doesn't explain why symmetry is reversed, or precisely what such a reversal means, it supports the idea that in schizophrenia, there's a disruption normal neurodevelopment that comes very early in life.

Earlier studies separately implicated sidedness and the PT in schizophrenia, but this study links the two factors. In fact, co-author Dr. Barta showed that the small size of the left PT was directly related to the intensity of patients' auditory hallucinations. Dr. Pearson commented, "If you stimulate the PT electrically, a person hears complex sounds similar to a schizophrenic's



begins in the left temporal lobe of the

Dr. Barta used software that he brain may have symptoms resembling personally developed to measure the schizophrenia. People with strokes in size of the PT from magnetic resothe same region often have disordered nance imaging (MRI) scans. The PT size is difficult to measure due to its unusual shape. The software helps al-

The most recent study implicates a very specific location of the brain in low for three dimensional imaging of the sidedness scenario. Since PT symmetry generally develops before birth, Dr. Pearson observed that disturthe study strongly implicates that facbances in brain sidedness have long tors leading to schizophrenia are apbeen associated with schizophrenia. parent at a very young age, rather than He said, "People with epilepsy that environmentally influenced.

# Condoms Are First Choice Among College Students

by Carol Monaghan College Press Service

The birth control method of choice on U.S. college campuses is the condom, according to a recent national

Two of three sexually active students, or 64 percent, report using male condoms as the preferred method to prevent contraception, while close to half, or 48 percent of college students say they use birth control pills.

The Upjohn Company Kalamazoo, Mich., surveyed 1,631 college students on 25 college campuses about their attitudes toward and use of birth control methods.

The results are good news to some AIDS education activists, who say the high percentage of college students who report using condoms could indicate that students are taking action to prevent transmission of the deadly HIV virus and other sexually transmitted

"Intuitively, it seems encouraging that two out of three sexually active college students say they use condoms, if they use them in a consistent and correction fashion," says Peggy Clarke, president of the American Social Health Association in Research Triangle Park, N.C.

Public education efforts at the national, state and local level have taught students they are not invulnerable to HIV," says Robin Hatziyannis, director of communications for the Washington-based Advocates for Youth. "College kids today are beneficaries of that.

The study correlates with other national surveys that have shown condom use has been on the increase among sexually active teen-agers. However, Clarke points out that 36 percent of sexually active students surveyed probably aren't using condoms, which opens them to the risk of sexually transmitted diseases. In addition, the survey reported that 40 percent of sexu-

ally active college students said they have had sex within the past year without benefit of any birth control.

The general consensus among AIDS awareness educators is the message of prevention has gotten out,' says Cynthia Launchbaugh, director of member programs and services with the American College Health Association in Baltimore. "However, while young people are aware, it doesn't mean they're always practicing safe

According to the American Social Health Association, 60 percent of all sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) occur among people under the age of 25. In addition, 3.6 million unintended pregnancies occur each year in the United States.

'Other forms of birth control, such as the pill, don't protect against STDs, including HIV," says Launchbaugh.

Overall, the survey also reveals that two in every three college students are sexually active. Among these, an almost equal number of men and women -69 percent of men and 64 percent of women-report having sex. The likelihood of sexual activity also seems to increase as students progress through four years of college. By senior year, 76 percent of students reported having sex, compared to half of all freshmen.

Meanwhile, an overwhelming majority of students, or 86 percent, also say they believe birth control is a shared responsibility. Yet despite this belief in shared responsibility, only three in 10 sexually active college students report discussing birth control with their partner often.

'This is not that different than the rest of our culture," says Clarke. "People find sex a difficult thing to talk about."

The American Social Health Association is offering a free brochure, called 'Sex Talk," that offers tips on how to better communicate about safe sex with your partner. Call 1-800-972-8500 for more information.

# Apple Bytes Apple Bytes View of Autodesk Expo '94

The Washington Convention Center Provides Showcase for Latest CAD Technologies

Winston Wang

"Hey Winston! Fill this out!""What is it?""An application for the AutoDesk Expo '94." "Why would I want to go? I've never used AutoCAD before in my life." Now if Alex had then said, "So you get to see and play with all the cool new Macintosh Systems, and you'll get to meet and shake hands with the Vice-President of the Core Technologies of Autodesk, and you'll get to go to a Block Party where there is free food and drink, I might have agreed right on the spot. Instead he fed me some line about how all the premier CAD technology will be there. Whoop-dee-do as far as I was con-

### Help! I'm Lost

As previously mentioned, I've never used AutoCAD; sure, I've dabbled with three-dimensional rendering and animation before, but I would hardly consider myself much more than a lowly amateur. Somehow I decided that I wanted to be in Washington D. C. on Wednesday, June 22nd, so after Organic Chemistry I made myself a nice lunch and caught the shuttle and the Marc Local to Union Station. After getting completely disoriented by the National Postal Museum (I wanted some self-adhesive stamps that our little branch on campus never seems to have) I used my orienteering skills properly and made my way over to 10th and H street, where the Washington Convention Center was.

Alex and his friend Jim were waiting for me inside. I picked up my yellow and black name tag that told everyone I was the Publications Assistant from Johns Hopkins. (In case you're wondering, I'm the Publications Assistant for Homewood Academic Computing, my primary respon-

sibility is 'Checkbits.')

Armed with the knowledge that I somehow managed to fool someone into believing that I belonged there, I entered the Convention Hall for the second time in my life (I went to a National Stamp Expo a few years back. Yes I like stamps, I'm a philatelist). Armed or unarmed I still felt like a fish out of water. There were companies I'd never heard of or hadn't until I read the Exhibitor's guide on the Marc Local on the way in. I heard terminology and acronyms I could only guess the meanings of: GIS, AIP, Fillet, ADE, NAAUG, Picasso. Fortunately Alex knew, and told me their meanings. (Geographical Information System, Autodesk Interface Protocol -a special curved line generating tool offered in AutoCAD, AutoCAD Data Extention, North American Autodesk User Group, and a still image phone from AT&T)

I was dazzled by a demonstration of a program, where a three-dimensional rendered animation of a wooden tabletop was made in under a minute. This included the actual rendering. For those of you that don't know, rendering is the photorealistic formation of realistic surfaces and textures over a wireframe model. Typically on my Quadra 700 it takes about ten minutes

to render a single 320x200 frame.

### Hi Apple, I'm Home!

Those things aside, I soon found myself at the Apple Computer Booth, where I found technological heaven. I was in bliss. I experimented with all of the new PowerMacintoshes. Although I didn't get a chance to perform any terribly processor-intensive task, they certainly seemed fast, even when running 68k code in emulation. We're talking very smooth scrolling. Granted, it was only a 800K Microsoft Word document with simple graphics, but still there was no hesitation.

But that's just speed, what really impressed me was the new PowerBook 500 series-the 520, 520c,540, and 540c. Once again the 'c' designates a color screen as opposed to a gray scale screen. The 520's are passive-matrix displays and the 540's are active-matrix displays. For those people that asked me about PowerPC notebooks, well, these aren't quite them, but they're close. They provide Quadra-speeds and a PowerPC upgrade path when Apple introduces the PowerPC 603 portable computers. The 520's have a Motorola 25 MHz 68LC040 microprocessor and the 540's have a Motorola 33MHz 68LC040 microprocessor. The 'LC' means that there isn't an integrated floating point math unit. That's actually okay, because there is not a lot that a portable computer will actually need one for (contrary to popular belief, Microsoft Excel does not run faster

Battery life on these portables are estimated at two to four hours per battery. (The 540's can accommodate two batteries at a time) By the way, these aren't your normal power cells, these are the "PowerBook Intelligent Batteries." These cells actually have a built-in microprocessor that tell the computer how to manage the power. True to Apple's ergonomic nature, these PowerBooks are really stylish, with their graceful curves, and sleek contours, they cry out: "Own me, I'd

be cool to have!" The niftiest new feature on the 500 series is what you notice when you try to move the cursor. As expected, you will not find a mouse, but unexpectedly you'll also not find a track ball. Instead, you'll find a trackpad. The trackpad is utilized by brushing your finger on the pad in the direction and velocity you want the cursor to go, and the cursor zips off accordingly. It is really easy to use, and very well designed. According to Apple, the trackpad is coffee spill-proof. The PowerBooks 500 series weigh anywhere from 6.3 lbs to 7.3 lbs, and cost between \$2,200 and \$5,600, depending on the model and configuration.

A side note, I finally saw in person the DuoDock, I'm not sure whether or not it was the new DuoDock II or the first one, in any case it was as weird and cool as everyone had said. The most striking feature about it, once you get past staring at the Macintosh Duo that has "docked" in it is it's two tone exterior. The bottom half of the Dock is platinum like all the portable

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Macintoshes, but the top half of the dock is beige like all of the desktop models. This of course makes perfect sense, when one thinks about it, but it's still funky to look at.

auditory hallucinations.'

the PT from a variety of angles

Some pieces of software that I happened to have demo'ed for me including Alias's Upfront 2.0, and Aldus Fetch. Upfront is three dimensional polygonal drawing program, and Fetch is a document cataloger.

Eventually, Alex was able to pry me away from the Apple booth, but not before I acquired a Newton mini-water bottle. That alone made my trip to D.C.

### Smile! I'm On IndyCam

As we wandered from booth to booth, a few notable exhibits that still stand out in my mind now. We passed a monitor and it caught my eye, there were a whole bunch of windows doing various things, running animations, showing a slide show, and other assort tasks that were routine at a CAD exposition. What caught my eye was that in one of the windows was me! It took me a bit to finally notice the low profile camera sitting on top of the monitor as the source of video input. Although there was a slight delay in the display, I was very impressed. When I showed this to Alex, he pointed it out, that the video output was in color. The system that we were witnessing was the SiliconGraphics Indy system, and the camera is appropriately called IndyCam. SiliconGraphics also makes the Indigo workstations in the Krieger 150 Computer Lab.

### Hey, I'm Virtually In Seattle

The other truly notable exhibit was Worldesign's SuperVET (Super Virtual Environment Theatre). The theatre was comprised of three 10-foot square screens, one facing the viewers and one to either side (they formed an open cube, without a roof or floor). The featured showing was the proposed Seattle's Puget Sound Waste Water Treatment Facility project.

Apparently, this project had been stalled because no one could visualize it; homeowners were concerned over possible noise and sight pollution. The SuperVET provided a visual and audio simulation of how the Sound would change with the inclusion of the project.

The demonstrator used a three-dimensional trackball. The ball itself was about the size of a softball and sat inside a sensor half pipe. The movement of the ball relayed x, y, and z coordinates so the view that the viewers saw was changed accordingly.

### Oh No! Lectures!

Alex and I then attended three lectures. One was on the usage of GIS in the USDA Forest Service. I'm sure it was interesting, except I fell asleep halfway through it. Hey, I had had a

The second one was a preview Release 13 of AutoCAD, due out in October. (I'd write more about R13, but then I'd really be out of my element,

besides, this column is already extremely long, and lastly, I'm sure Alex could do a much better job than me; look for his article on the subject in an upcoming issue of Checkbits.)

The last lecture was a meeting of the North American Autodesk Users Group. I saw even more new features of R13, and more importantly, got invited to the Block party previously mentioned, where I met Robert Carr the also aforementioned Vice-President of Core Technologies of Autodesk.

All in all, it was a good day, and I'm glad I went. I'd like to thank Alex Flaxman for dragging me to this Autodesk Exposition. I'd also like to thank my friend who would only like to be known as "Me" for fixing my horrid sentence structure. (And you thought it was bad now? You should have seen it before it was edited) And I'd most like to thank the Summer Science and Features editor Bob Lessick, for forgiving this horrible extended rambling-ons of a poorly misguided Systems (puppy) Manager, and allocating it space on the page.

Winston can be reached via e-mail 'b j@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu" comments, questions and concerns accepted.

# The Squid What is a Quark?

The quark is the most fundamental unit of matter. In the early 1960s, Murray Gell-Mann first theorized that protons and neutrons were made up of smaller units of matter. He chose the name "quark" from a line from James Joyce's "Finnegan's Wake" that reads "three quarks for Muster Mark." Gell-Mann proved the existence of "up" and "down" quarks. "Charm," "strange," and "bottom" were later discovered. This year, the sixth and presumably last quark, known as "top," was discovered by an international team of scientists.

# Science Briefs

### Fish and Wildlife Service To Remove Bald Eagle From Endangered List

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recently announced plans to upgrade the status of the American bald eagle from "endangered" to "threatened." in most of the continental United States. The announcement was made by Mollie Beattie, director of the wildlife service, at a site near the Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge in Cambridge, Md.

When the bald eagle was chosen as the national symbol by the founding fathers, the population in the continental U.S. was estimated at 25,000. The population declined to about 450 nesting pairs by the early 1960s, partially because of hunting, loss of waterfront land, and the widespread used of the controversial pesticide DDT. The Chesapeake Bay population dropped from about 3,000 pairs to under 100 by

The eagle population has jumped significantly since the species was classified as endangered. There are currently 4,000 nesting pairs in the continental U.S. and over 300 in the Chesapeake Bay region.

The bald eagle, the only native American sea eagle, is found near large bodies of water. The eagle reaches adulthood in four years and feeds off fish and small mammals.

The comeback of the eagle and its improved reproduction were likely a result of the banning of DDT in 1972. The pesticide is fatal to eggshells of the eagle and other birds.

The reclassification would not cover the entire United States. The eagle is still considered endangered in the Southwest, and was never deemed

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endangered in Alaska

-B.E. Nesterley

### Clementine Space Probe **Reveals Large Variations** In Lunar Landscape

Scientists at Johns Hopkins and at Goddard Space Flight Center have discovered that lunar landscape is filled with deeper craters and higher peaks than previously expected.

Dr. Maria Zuber, a Hopkins geophysicist, presented the group's findings at a recent meeting of the American Geophysical Union in Baltimore. The scientists used data from the Clementine space probe, which was launched in January, to create a precise topographic map of the moon.

While Clementine was in a twomonth lunar orbit, researchers collected topographical information using laser measurements and radio signals. The data provided information about the precise height of the probe above the lunar surface and changes in the probe's orbital velocity caused by the moon's gravitational field. This allows scientists to measure the peaks and valleys to an accuracy of 100 meters, ten times better than previous studies.

The fact that such large variation exists suggests that the surface of the moon in its early history was cooler than anticipated. Craters and peaks created by impacts would be wellpreserved in a cooler atmosphere. According to Dr. Luber, "If it was hot, all this high and low topography would have flowed away like molasses."

Other members of the research team include Goddard geophysicists David E. Smith and Frank G. Lemoine, and Hopkins postdoc Gregory Neumann.

Further data from Clementine will be used to answer questions about the moon's evolution and early history.

-B.M. Marcels

### Valiant Effort To Separate South African Twin Girls Ends Suddenly in Tragedy

On June 15, the twenty-hour surgery to separate the Makwaeba twins of South Africa ended in failure as each died within hours of undergoing the risky procedure. Dr. Benjamin Carson, Hopkins' chief of pediatric neurosurgery and 1994 JHU commencement speaker, had traveled to South Africa to head the operation which brought surgeons from the States to work with the team already assembled at Ga-Rankuwa, a hospital in Pretoria which serves the medical needs of the nation's non-white population.

The South African girls, who were joined at the back of the head, were the first Siamese twins in South Africa to benefit from a new technique which uses tissue from a cadaver to protect the brain following the surgery. The surgeons were in the last steps of the procedure when Nthabiseng's heart began to fail. Open heart surgery was performed, but the infant's heart proved too weak to be revived. Prior to the separation operation, doctors had already operated on Nthabiseng for a congenital heart defect.

Mahlatese, Nthabiseng's sister, survived briefly after being placed on a heart-lung respirator. The trauma of the operation, however, led to her subsequent death two days later

-B.J. Blankenship

# Arts

# 27th Annual Hampton Jazz Festival Rocks

Tidewater Traditions Bring Family and Friends Together to Celebrate Soulful Music

by Maura LoMonico The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

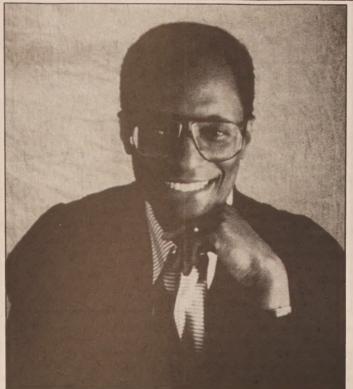
Every year, thirty-thousand people come from all over the East coast to take part in three days full of musical energy and cultural togetherness at the Hampton Jazz Festival. The Twenty-Seventh Annual festival, which took place from June 24th to June 26th this year, is a tradition that lives with those who organize and participate in it each year. It is presented by Hampton University, the city of Hampton, Virginia and has taken place at the Hampton Coliseum since 1970, when the festival was forced inside by a massive thunderstorm.

The Hampton Jazz Festival is distinctive in many ways. The festival features a wide variety of musical styles, including swing, traditional blues, improvisational jazz, and big band music. However, it does not limit itself to jazz. There are also mainstream/popular artists, R & B, and rock and roll performers involved in the festival each

year. This is not typical of most jazz festivals. This may be because the Hampton Jazz Festival is considered "a celebration of Black music in America," as the 1994 souvenir program states. This description leaves the festival open to all types of music.

Despite the souvenir program's explanation of the culture of Black music (and the music of Black culture), the festival is not limited to black performers. True, 90 percent of the fans are African-American, and this year all of the main artists were as well (excluding some of the headliners' band members), in past years other races have been included as main acts; The festival isn't always black and white either. In fact, several years ago, a Japanese jazz group, Hiroshima, performed at the festival.

The other distinguishing feature of the festival is the small town feel between those on the stage and those in the audience. Despite the fact that only 40 percent of the audience is said to be from the Tidewater area (around Hamp-



Pianist Ramsey Lewis returns for his fourth HJF.

ton), the emcee, a local news anchor, had a great connection with the audience. This spirit helps bring the festival its charm

But the Hampton Jazz Festival is no small event— the list of performing artists is long and distinguished. In fact, only one local artist performed at the festival this year— the Connie Parker Trio.

The majority of the other performers had been part of the festival before, adding to the traditions that are part of the Hampton Jazz Festival.

Blues legend B.B. King made his eleventh appearance at the festival this year. His Friday night performance got the crowds prepared for the weekend full of talented and entertaining acts that are inherent in this annual cultural event. Chicago jazz pianist Ramsey Lewis played the festival three times before this year, and the Count Basie Orchestra performed its fifth Hampton Jazz Festival, with Joe Wil-

There were also several artists appearing at the festival for the second time, including Gerald Albright, George Duke, Patti LaBelle, The Four The festival features a wide variety of musical styles, including swing, traditional blues, improvisational jazz, and big band music.

Tops, and Gladys Knight. Among the artists making their debuts at the Hampton Jazz Festival were acoustic guitarist Earl Klugh, and rock and roll legend Little Richard. Little Richard had audience members dancing on stage throughout his program.

The Hampton Jazz Festival provides family and friends with an annual event to celebrate and revel in soulful music performed by talented artists. It's an incredible experience, and it's only a few hours from Baltimore by car or train. But if you'd like to attend next year's festival, plan early-the Friday and Saturday night shows were both sold out long before the festival began.

# Cashing Out on Country

### **AMERICAN** RECORDINGS

Johnny Cash American Records

by Mark Binker Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Of the things that made Johnny Cash the phenomenon that he is, his rumbling baritone is perhaps the most important. His voice still retains the same honest quality that disturbs when he sings about the supernatural or brings tears when he conveys tales of sadness. If time has not enhanced Cash's voice, then it has hewn marks that make his tales of long hard roads traveled even more believable. A second component that has been

essential to Cash's music is his honesty. When he sings about a woman doing him wrong, you do not simply lump it in with your stereotype pile of country music. Instead, you decide that the woman is the lowest form of harlot and feel like buying Johnny a round to help ease the hurt. Pain, pleasure, patriotism, and the rest have been universally believable in this master artist's hands. It is this second component that is conspicuously missing from most of Cash's latest release on the American Records label. A friend of mine tells me that it is quite nearly a joke that this label would release anything by Cash. Regardless, the producers of this album have really let down Johnny Cash and country music fans by not spending a little more money on some back-up musicians

The producers would probably tell us that this was meant to be "Johnny's album" and that any more than just Cash's voice and guitar would be frivolous. They probably looked at Willie Nelson's Who Will Buy My Memories and thought, "Hell, if Nelson can do it, so can this other guy." They were dead

What made Willie Nelson a success was not his voice. To be honest, Nelson's voice has never been stellar. Memorable but not stellar. Nelson is a poet, a master of words and the guitar. His talent lies in crafting music, while Cash is a great interpreter. Nelson's project,, which was originally released

to pay off his IRS debts, was phenomenal because with just his words and guitar he delivered the full force of his talent to the listener.

While Cash is a master, it would be condescending to say that he has some talent with lyric writing, and it is definitely not his strength. Cash is an expert at hammering music into your soul. When I heard him in person I was overpowered by his thundering delivery. I felt the presence of the "Man in Black" on the stage.

The American Records' release makes Cash's voice seem old, naked, and powerless. Instead of a master of his art, delivering lectures and truth about life, Cash comes across as an old man absent mindedly telling stories to his grandchildren.

This album could have been easily saved if the producers had offered some background to Cash's voice. Not many instruments were required; a steel guitar, drums, a piano, and another guitar would have been sufficient to contrast and bring out the old master's true talent. Instead, Cash is allowed to mumble through the album. He did not challenge himself, and his producers seem to have been intimidated by his

The best song on the album is track 11. "Redemption." "Like a Soldier" and "The Man Who Couldn't Cry" are also very listenable. Unfortunately, you have to wade through the rest of the album to get to them. They are wonderful reflections of what the entire album might have been. In these songs you can hear Cash put something that was lacking in the rest of the tracks.

These three songs also have lyrics that contain the honesty that the rest of the album lacks. In fact, it sounds like he believes what he is singing, knows about what he is singing, cares about what he is singing. Even "The Man Who Couldn't Cry," which is somewhat of a joke on Cash's part, moves the listener more than the supposedly soulful "The Beat in Me."

While the name 'CASH' appears prominently on the album, it is misleading. American Recordings is neither an anthology of a great career nor a soulful look at a master artist. It's a good album gone bad.

# Chick Corea Goes Solo with Standards

Little Richard got the crowd dancing on-stage.

Acoustic and Electric Band Leader Goes It Alone on 'Expressions'

### **EXPRESSIONS**

Chick Corea GRP

by Maura LoMonico The Johns Hopkins University

In the past, Chick Corea has been best known for his ensemble work with his acoustic and electric bands, alternating between the roles of a rhythm section pianist and a solo player. His latest release, however, Expressions, features Chick playing only unaccompanied solo piano on standard and original showtunes and jazz charts.

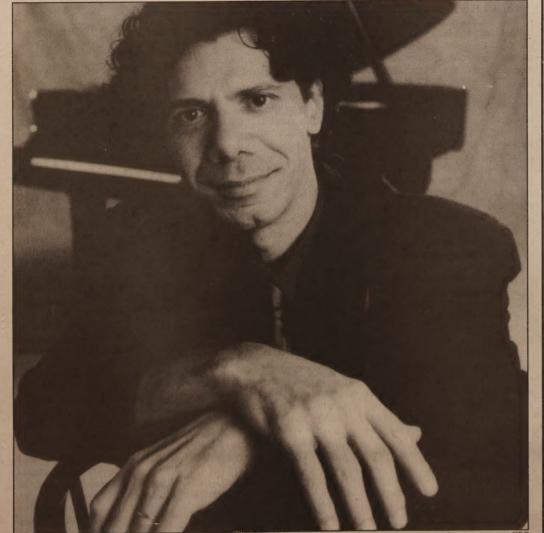
Expressions showcases Chick's ability to bring sweetness and deep thought to tunes written by jazz greats like Thelonius Monk and Broadway showtune-composing teams like Rodgers and Hammerstein, George and Ira Gershwin, and Kurt Weill and Ira

Throughout his liner notes, Chick acknowledges the many artists (particularly pianists, but also other musicians and singers) who inspired him while he worked on this recording. Chick dedicates "Expressions" to "one of the greatest piano players of all time, Art Tatum," and proceeds to further honor him by including an original track titled "Blues for Art.

The only other Chick Corea original on the recording is "Armando's Rhumba," a catchy Latin tune with a repetitive, heavy bass line. There are two Monk charts on "Expressions": 'Monk's Mood" and "Pannonica.

The rest of the tracks are mainly showtunes, including a dramatic version of "This Nearly Was Mine" as well as "Someone to Watch Over Me."

Though Chick's playing is often both pensive and focused, there are many moments on "Expressions" when the album could easily pass for dinner background music. But occasionally, when he throws in an unexpected pause or glissando, one might cock an ear to find out just what Chick is up to now.



My, what big hands he has!

# Give Him Enough Rope...

# GRP Artist Talks to Himself, and We Listen

(This week, jazz great Chick Corea joins the staff of the Johns Hopkins News-Letter by interviewing himself. When you read the interview, please bear in mind: these are the untouched words of the master. No studio magic has been used to make Chick Corea look like anything but a man who has found spiritual enlightenment at the feet of L. Ron Hubbard. And now, ladies and gentlemen, Chick Corea ...)

Chick Corea: What made you decide to make this recording of standard tunes for solo piano?

chick corea: Several things, really. Through the years, I've always had an interest in standard songs. I learned a lot of them with my father in the late forties and early fifties around Boston where I grew up. Also, at parties, some socializing with friends or a family get-together, I often sit at the piano, sometimes with my wife Gayle singing with me, and play familiar tunes.

A lot of these tunes also have a bit of nostalgia connected with them from some of my first exposure to music through Charlie Parker, Miles Davis, Bud Powell, and John Coltrane.

I've also, more and more, included certain standard songs with my trio and occasional piano solo performances.

Finally, there have been a number of requests from some friends and associates at GRP, my record company, for a recording of "standards" especially on solo piano.

I've been nurturing many different ideas for piano solo recordings for a while now and thought this would be a good place to start—a set

C.C.: How did you end up choosing these particular songs?

c.c.: Well its been a pretty inter-

esting process. A few of the songs I've known for a long time but never attempted to render in any particular way. For instance, "Lush Life" by Billy Strayhorn, is one that I learned a long time ago; played it a bit with Dave

Liebman on my big band tour in '77, then kind of forgot about it. About a year ago, I was driving in my car and heard a pianist playing a vaguely familiar tune. The rendition knocked me out; I pulled over to listen more closely. It turned out to be Billy Strayhorn himself playing another song of his. It was a very attractive rendition. I went out and got the CD and "Lush Life" turned up on it-so while I was on tour in Europe with my trio, I re-learned it and began playing it from time to time as a piano solo in my band set. This gives you an idea of how one of these choices came about. Each one has a different story.

C.C.: What are some other interests and influences that play a part in the development of this set of renditions?

Playing the drums have been this way for me too.

c.c: Good question. Something I actually gave some thought to. There have been so many things that have led up to it; let's see if I can explain a few.

First of all, solopiano playing is, for me, a great pleasure and very relaxing. It's always been my first and most tactile entrance into making music of all kinds. Playing the drums have been this way for me too. (sic) I always keep a kit of drums in my practice space to

Piano and drums help me express my thoughts not only as a player but as a composer as well. And the piano especially enables me to combine both functions at the same time. Experimenting with different musical forms, extending them with improvisationor, the reverse: Improvising freely and then extracting themes and forms from what material I invent and come across for later written compositions.

It's interesting to me how improvisers like Armstrong, Charlie Parker, Miles, and Coltrane created forms to develop and improvise over. It's also interesting how players like Monk and Ellington used only standard song form, including blues, to create an incredible

variety of moods and expressions with. But it seems these familiar songs, or "standards," has been one many

improvisers have used to bring their message to people. The familiarity of the theme seems to help the creative message go across to the lis-

C.C.: What about Latin rhythms? Did this play any part in putting this set together?

c.c: What are known as "Latin" rhythms are mostly, if not completely, derived from African mu-

Though working with Mongo Santamaria and Willie Bobo, I learned something about this music in the 60's in New York. It seems to me that the heart of these rhythms come from Africa and from a context that is more socially oriented than "performance" or "art" oriented. It's one reason why I love these rhythms and this music so much. It combines "performer" and "audience" into one and comes from a real desire to esthetically summarize and express the concerns and ideals of the community it exists in. It provides a great compliment for me to the more intellectual and "art" music kind of "jazz" and "classical" music I grew up with. In some ways it can be more extroverting, more emotional.

I think there are a few tunes in this set that have some of that flavor in them. "Someone to Watch Over Me," for instance, has some of this rhythminit. "Armando's Rhumba," a song I wrote for my dad Armando, is rhythmically from Latin dance

C.C.: Is there some particular effect you hope to achieve with this recording?

c.c.: Well the effect on myself has already been achieved: I had a great time putting it together.

I trust a few others will enjoy listening to it which will very much

C.C.: Well thanks, Chick. That's all the questions I've got.

c.c.: Your quite welcome. That's all the answers I've got anyway.

### Arts

# KISS vs. Garth Brooks

# Will Tokyo Survive this Latest Cover Compilation?

KISS MY ASS

Various Artists Mercury Records

by Dave Gdula The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Is it my imagination or is this the decade of cover tunes? First, Joan Jett puts out "The Hit List." Then we have to suffer through the Make a Difference Foundation's collection in which "Purple Haze" is mangled once again. Finally, we are subjected to Guns-N-Roses' "The Spaghetti Incident" and yet another Nazareth classic bites the

What next? Kiss My Ass. It's not a sentiment, it's a compilation of Kiss covers. "Blasphemy!" was the first word to come out of my mouth. The only thing that pains me as much is to hear the Allman Brothers butcher one of their own tunes to sell beer. Oh the agony! Then I looked at the cover: An All-American, wholesome, '50s nuclear family at the dinner table complete with Kiss make-up and Old Glory flowing in the background graces it along with the words "classic Kiss regrooved." Well, we'll see about that! Then I carefully examined the list of contributing artists wondering what losers were to be found. Lenny Kravitz. Anthrax, Extreme. What the hell? Garth Brooks?! That's it! Just shoot me and end the torment!

Then I flipped the CD to examine the fare. It's classic Kiss, all right. Most of the songs date from the mid-'70s when they were at their peak of popularity. It was during this era of Aerosmith, Kansas, and Meat Loaf that Kiss transcended the paltry concept of rock idoldom and became deified by the screaming masses known as the Kiss Army. Their best albums (pre-"Dynasty") are well-represented, along with a few tunes you may have forgotten. One pleasant surprise was "Plaster Caster." Some of you may remember this song as the example most often used by insecure parents to illustrate the dangers of rock music on developing brain tissue. To these predecessors of Tipper Gore and her PMRC. Kiss wasn't just a bad influence, they were the root of all evil. I don't know about you, but when Kiss made its musical assault on my prepubescent brain, I had no clue what this song meant. Once my parents heard

"Blasphemy!" was the first word to come out of my mouth.

my humming the words, though, out went all my Kiss records and paraphernalia, complete with the cardboard love gun. I remain emotionally scarred.

Enough analysis of the importance of Kiss in shaping the young minds of America. Now for the music...Like any anthology of remakes, you are bound to like a few and hate a few, depending on the school of thought to which you subscribe. For the Kiss purist, like myself. I am treated to some accurately reproduced tunes with a few subtle differences. Anthrax, a band which has matured some from its thrash origins, does a fine job with "She" and their vocal tracks sound a lot like the

Simmons original. The Gin Blossoms also deliver a strong version of "Christine Sixteen" in which you get a chance to hear their harder side. Frankly, I didn't think they had it in them. Then there's the well-rendered "Hard Luck Woman," delivered by..drumroll please..Garth Brooks. Yes, I actually have to respect this man's talent now. Worse, I'm admitting it publicly.

There are a few songs where it is obvious that the group in question attempted to imprint their own style at the expense of the original author's version. While this sort of behavior is generally not condoned by the purist, it can be tolerated in small doses. Examples include Lenny Kravitz' version of "Deuce" and "Detroit Rock City" by the Mighty Mighty Bosstones, both of which have the unoriginal approach of ditching the guitars for their solo. In the former, they are replaced by a harmonica, in the latter a horn section. Yawn. I'll say this once: If you are going to re-record "Detroit Rock City," and you are determined to make it your own, the trademark four-guitar solo is absolutely the last thing you should change. Much to the Bosstones' credit, however, they at least made an attempt at creating an interesting intro (the original from "Destroyer" has been lost in the greatest hits and live versions), complete with a phone message from Gene Simmons himself. As for Extreme and their rendition of "Strutter," I have to say I was disappointed. Much to his credit, Nuno Bettencourt has finally developed his own sense of style and has shaken his tainted image as a Van Halen rip-off artist. However, he ruined this song



Paul Stanley, Gene Simmons, Eric Singer, Bruce Kulick ... spells KISS!

with his attempt to infuse it with an and operatic treatment offered here are Extreme funk beat. To quote a line from "Pornograffiti," "get the funk

out." And keep it out, please.

The last type of song to be found are those that don't even faintly resemble the original. Toad the Wet Sprocket's version of "Rock and Roll All Nite" is now a folk tune. Call me mellowed, but I actually like it. It no longer smacks of the genius of Stanley and Simmons (dare I say they rivaled Lennon and McCartney?), but after a few listens I was hooked. And you have to admit, it takes a lot of guts to accomplish the feat. It works, though. Then there's the orchestral version of "Black Diamond" by Yoshiki. Well, I'll admit it. I liked

about as different as you can get, in technical terms anyway. The strange thing about this song is that it's still recognizable and manages to recreate the mood of the original. Classical music never sounded this good.

So now it's time for the bottom line. Should you spend the twelve bucks on this CD? The answer is a resounding 'yes" for several reasons. The first is one of simple economics. It is generally assumed that you will be ambivalent about half of the tracks on any given CD. Looking at it this way, the Kiss purist can't lose. Sure, a few classics have been destroyed, but there are enough honest attempts to make it worthit. Who knows? You might even not until Kiss My Ass II. - Ed.)

end up getting hooked on another band which you might have ignored otherwise. For those of you who were never into Kiss, but are a fan of some of the bands featured on this disk, then now is a chance to expand your horizons. Finally, if you like the songs and the bands that play them, you are in great shape. My only serious criticism of this collection is that it's too damn short. In this age of digital technology, eleven songs on a compilation is downright anorexic. This is especially true if you examine the long list of bands that didn't make the final cut. Did none of them offer a suitable version of "Hotter Than Hell," "Shout It Out Loud," or "Beth?" We will never know. (At least

# 'Speed' Kills

### **SPEED**

Directed by Jan De Bont Produced by Mark Gordon Written by Graham Yost

CAST; Jack Traver Keanu Reeves Howard Payne Capt. McMahon. Jeff Daniels

by Zim Feebermann The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

On the back of the Los Angeles city bus on which the majority of the film "Speed" takes place, there is plastered a sign which reads "Money Isn't Everything (Yeah Right)." This could well serve as the slogan for this top-notch action thriller, which cost over \$60 mil-

lion to make and is expected to lead

summer box office receipts.

Money, we learn early on, is the prime motivation of the mad bomber played by Dennis Hopper who is intent on blackmailing several million dollars out of the city of Los Angeles to bankroll his golden years. There is no dark secret or spiritual flotsam in Hopper's character, he just wants the bucks. When tightly-wound hero cop Jack Travis (the newly buffed Keanu Reeves) and his partner (Jeff Daniels) foil Hopper's first attempt, the devious criminal turns to an even more brilliantly sick plan. He arms a city bus with a bomb. Once the bus goes over fifty miles per hour, the bomb is armed. If the bus drops below fifty, the bomb will

What to do? Well, the sensible

thing would be to keep the bus below fifty, but that would make for a pretty boring movie. Given the film's title, it is inevitable that the bomb is armed and it is up to Jack to save the day. On board, he meets Annie (Sondra Bullock) who, through one thing and another, winds up behind the wheel of this speeding death trap. There are, of course, the requisite number of wiseass and heroic passengers, just to make things a bit more interesting.

The film centers on the mind games between Reeves and Hopper, and the two actors balance each other very well. Reeves is well on his way to becoming the next Stallone. Most of Reeves' dialogue is kept to short, monosyllabic sentences, but he is required to deliver a few longer speeches which remind the audience that his artistic powers peaked in the "Bill and Ted" series. Beyond that, he has the physical portion of the character down and did a good number of his own stunts, which gives him extra credibility as the leading character.

Hopper plays a deranged killer, which is not exactly a stretch for the old fella, but he does manage to keep it interesting. In creating his villains, Hopper has a knack for giving them some overtly human element—in this case, a sense of humor—which allows the audience to identify with him on some level. When he does something monstrous, this has the effect of disturbing the viewer even more. As John Malkovitch did in "In the Line of Fire" last year, Hopper does much of his ranting over the phone from a secure place. He is the ultimate villain for the information age, equipped with cameras, televisions, phones—everything

the well-appointed psychotic needs in today's helter-skelter world.

Bullock's character is shallowly written, but she manages to make Annie into a legitimately interesting person through her loose and humorous acting. Annie and Jack also become attracted to each other over the course of the film, which allows the filmmakers to tack on the shlock Hollywood ending. If the last thirty seconds of this film had been snipped off, "Speed" would be well on its way to becoming a killer action classic.

The reason moviegoers should take a break and see this film is for the action. "Speed" has more explosions and crashes per minute than any movie in recent memory, and all are done well. Cars, busses, planes, trains, and every other form of transportation known to urban mankind are demolished in this movie with style and grace. Some of the stunts stretch things past the point of willing suspension of disbelief, like the passenger-loaded bus jumping a fifty foot gap in the Los Angeles freeway, Dukes of Hazzard

"Speed" is the perfect action movie for those raised on MTV and video games. Like users of the eponymous drug, this flick takes a simple premise and runs with it for hours, never slowing down, never letting itself become boring, jumping from one sequence to the next, and never giving the audience a chance to think about what's going on. "Speed" is a rush that will leave you completely burnt when the lights come up.

# Tenderloin Lets It Leak

### Meanwhile, Elvis Is Sighted in Prince George's County

### ELVIS COSTELLO WITH THE CRASH TEST DUMMIES

P. G. Equestrian Center June 16,1994

by Joe Apaestegui and Salo

Ben Meltzer Johns Hopkins News-Letter

It wasn't the rain or heat that threatened to put a damper on the Elvis Costello concert; it was the Crash Test

**Dummies** But it was our lucky night. The humidity dropped, the clouds parted, and the Dummies' forty-five minute set remained surprisingly tolerable. It is disappointing, however, to realize that the high point of their show came when the second keyboardist (hired for the tour) demonstrated her uncanny talent for Mongolian overtonal sing-

When Elvis and the Attractions finally took the stage, they went straight to their instruments and played for two solid hours --- no foolin' around. They kicked off with four oldies strung backto-back - "No Action," "The Beat," "Waiting for the End of the World," and "Beyond Belief." The band made it clear that applause mongering was not going to be part of the night's agenda. Apparently, Costello views breaking between songs as a waste of

After a seven year hiatus, Costello and the Attractions reunited last winter to record a new album, "Brutal Youth." Not surprisingly, they sounded superenergetic on the new songs. Costello belted out the lyrics to "Sulky Girl" with all the rage of a man on the verge of strangling an impossible woman. This was followed by the evening's first true ballad, "London's Brilliant Parade," a homesick roam through London's landmarks. The chorus, "I'm having the time of my life (or something quite like it)," was raucously recycled later in "Rocking Horse Road.'

The centerpiece of the concert was an extended "Clown Strike," during which Elvis empathetically implored the audience, "You don't have to go so far, 'cause I love you as you are." He also took time during the song to insert a version of "On Broadway," featuring an uncharacteristically long guitar solo. He then launched back into "Clown Strike" with renewed fervor.

Strident and sure, the "Brutal Youth" songs sparkled. But that is not to say the oldies were left out or merely regurgitated (save for a lackluster "Alison"). "You Belong To Me" had even more venom than the tempestuous versions on "This Year's Model" and "Live at El Macombo." Elvis even paid homage to Smokey Robinson, doing a heartfelt medley of "Tracks of My Tears" and "Tears of a Clown." The real knockout punch came with

"(The Angels Wanna Wear My) Red Shoes." Costello's treatment of the ending, an incessant repetition of the song's title, made the recording seem

blasé by comparison. For the most part, Costello ignored the material from his recent experimental albums. He did, however, include the gorgeous "So Like Candy" and the dramatically surreal "Deep Dark Truthful Mirror." Interestingly, those songs didn't quite measure up to the studio versions. It seems that Costello may have been wise to depart from the Attractions and their straightforward approach for albums like

Spike" and "Mighty Like a Rose." Before returning three times for a total of ten encore songs, Costello closed by tying together his current single, "13 Steps Lead Down," and one of his oldest ones, "Radio, Radio."

Costello's new material could stand alongside the old and more than hold its own. In an industry where it has become commonplace for artists to ride on their past achievements, it is refreshing to find one who refuses to do so.

### LET IT LEAK

Tenderloin Warner Entertainment

by Joe Apaestegui ohns Hopkins News-Letter

If you suddenly find yourself grunting and grinding in sheer hedonistic glory, you might be listening to the new Tenderloin album. The music is gritty and loud, heavily primed up with both blues and punk sensibilities. And they keep it simple, writing about the important things in life, like sex, drugs, and food (not necessarily in that or-

Tenderloin is the latest in a series of bands fronted by Ernie Locke, (pictured frolicking below). They've been the best kept secret in Kansas City, Missouri, for some time now, happily

closet-sized clubs - unfortunately, the locals seem content to keep it that way. But Tenderloin's debut album, 'Let It Leak," will definitely bring them new followers across the country, and the Kansas City folks will have to learn to share The sweaty feel of their live shows

playing their ever-lovin' hearts out in

fairly well represented on "Let It Leak."The plunking of the bass meshes almost seamlessly in with the drums, packing a hell of a wallop. The guitar follows along, creating an iron-clad backbone for all of the songs. Mr. Locke then gets the chance to do his thing. Heavily influenced by Howlin's Wolf and other blues singers, his lyrics and rumbling vocals really shine on "Gonna Lose Your Soul," "Kitchen Floor," "Too Late for Romance," and "Halfa Mile Ahead." This bluesy sound is augmented by Locke's excellent harmonica work. A fine cover of Blind Lemon Jefferson's "One Kind Favor" is also included, as is a moody reggaebased instrumental called "Heavy

When Tenderloin is grinding away though, they're unrelenting. "Time Bomb" and "Daddy Was a Clydsedale," will prove that. Their music is usually hyper, and so danceable that they will often whip their audience into a frenzy. As they pound away through waves of distortion, nobody is truly safe. Occasionally wrapping up his voice in echo loops and tube amp feedback, Locke makes the sound even more disruptive and riot-inspiring. "(Puffed) Wheat Ball,"even forgoes lyrics just so Locke can let go on his harmonica at full speed.

Throughout the album, their sense of humor is never lost. "Mother Grilled Cheese," and the rude metaphors of 'Supernatural Bologna" show a playful nature to their music.

"Let It Leak" is all about living life a little on the excessive side. Learn the lesson, live a little, and find out for yourself how good Tenderloin really



Tenderloin's Locke dukes it out with inner demons.



Twentieth Century Fox

Keanu Reeves uses his head to get out of a tricky situation in "Speed."

# Cup, Pulp, and the Festival Crazies

by J. D. Compazine Johns Hopkins News-Letter

With the biggest non-event since Kahoutek's Comet rolling through America, some of you are probably thinking, "Jeez, I wish I could get a compilation of cheesy arena rock to commemorate the World Cup."

Well have I got a surprise for you. Soccer Rocks the Globe (various artists, Mercury) is a collection of some of the worst crowd pleasers from the soccer stadium. I have no idea why this album exists. There are easier ways to make a quick buck, like power-sanding your nipples in front of Japanese tourists. All I can imagine is, in a lastditch attempt to prevent soccer riots from spreading in the United States, Mercury cooperated with Local Authorities to produce the CD equivalent of a trank gun. Don't believe me? How else would you explain the presence of Jon Bon Jovi's "Blaze of Glory" and Queen's "We Are the Champions" on the same disc? What other reason would anyone have for producing a 1994 remix of Gary Glitter's "Rock & Roll (Parts One and Two)"

Not all of the tracks are old. On "Anthem," a nugget represenative of the talent that went into compiling this CD, there's a crowd chanting out "Ale Ale Ale" over a telegraphic guitar. There's a revised James tune ("Goal,

Goal, Goal") that pokes fun at soccer hooligans, and a new Moody Blues song. Of course, Kool and the Gang's 1994 version of "Celebration" still sounds a lot like every other version of "Celebration" they recorded, even the Snuffcapella Dub that was released only in Uganda which that I just made

I've always thought that there ought to be a law: if you can prove that a band sucks, you get their equipment. Britpopsters Pulp use enough gear on His 'N' Hers (Island Records), their latest album, to stock a couple of German avant garde bands, but, for all their EMI Synthi-A's, treated cymbals, and Farfisas, they come off sounding blurry and ponderous as pop can be.

There's no edge on this album. From keyboard to limpid drums to texture guitar, all the instruments layer their toothless bulk over the twitty vocals of lead drooler Jarvis Cocker. Here: pick your fave Pulp lyric from the liner notes (which are tagged with a smarmy "Please do not read the lyrics whilst listening to the recordings" warning): "I fell asleep on your sofa and had a dream about a small child who caught his hands in the doors of the Paris metro" ("Acrylic Afternoons"), "Oh please stay for a while/I don't want to live in the cold" ("David's Last Summer"), or the Dr. Seuss-oid "Did I

leave it in your car? On a table in a bar?" ("She's a Lady"). Go ahead: pick one. If it helps, imagine they're being sung by an anemic Englishman who sounds like he's having even less fun than you.

For some reason, today's English hipster makes a big point of showing that they're bored comatose by sex, being cool, fame, sex, fasion, and sex. And why not? If all the bands from your home island had names like Blurb and Pud and Splurve, you would be two steps from a perpetual Percodan weekend, too.

But, hey! Here at home, we're miles ahead of that! After all, we have Lollapalooza, this time featuring video dating services, mock talk-shows, and virtual mediamedia — all the things that GenX supposedly hates, including identification with Generation X.

But don't stop at the festival buffet there. If you want a more traditional dish, you can stop lying about how you were at Woodstock and go there next month. See Metallica, see Bob Dylan, and be sure to pick up some Dannon's Caramel Cream yogurt while you're at it, because there really isn't any point it, because there really in doing anything unless it's easy.

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Note: Compazine" may or may not return to these pages next month, depending on his busy schedule.)

# summer events

by Maura LoMonico The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Music is alive and hotter than ever this summer in Baltimore. Whether you like jazz or classical, progressive or rock, country or popular music, there is something for everyone in and around Baltimore during the summer of '94.

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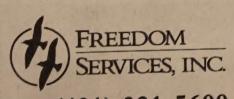
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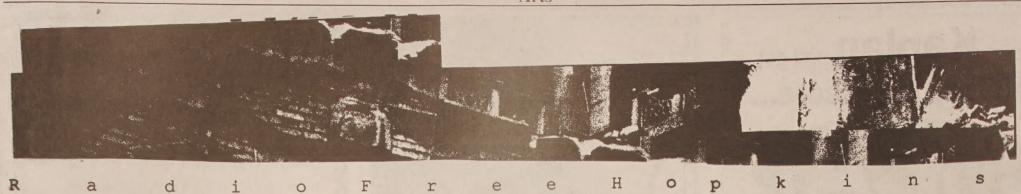
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### Editorial

# A.C. Muscles in on Your Dollar

Although many students disappear from the Homewood area shortly after finishing their last finals in May, the campus is far from a ghost town in the summer months. Unfortunately for these summer residents, many services shut down for the summer. The News-Letter's decision to publish monthly summer issues was apparently welcomed by the Homewood summer community — the June issue disappeared quickly from drop-off sites, and the response to the back page quiz was better than expected. Perhaps there's more to summer at Hopkins than the GRO softball leagues.

The Athletic Center stays open, but wait! First-time summer residents are shocked year after year when they try to use the gym and have to show a membership card. The fee for a ten-week membership is 30 dollars for students, somewhat more for faculty, staff, and alumni. Not only that, hours are limited and the Athletic Center is closed all day on Sundays.

At first, the less crowded Athletic Center seems appealing. Once people get used to the 100 degree heat in the gym, they find little or no waiting for a swimming lane, a weight machine, an exercise bike, or a racquetball court. At least that's true for the first four weeks. Then the day camp arrives. While the camp is not as big as it used to be, the kids tend to terrorize the Athletic Center. Forget about playing a game of basketball without interruption from a line of kids led right through the middle of the court by their counselor. Swim lanes decrease from six to three, but the idea of

swimming laps while little kids are doing their business in half of the pool is a bit unsettling.

All things considered however, 30 dollars for an athletic club membership isn't all bad, compared to what health clubs charge. That's not the issue. The problem is that it's not at all fair to charge summer residents for something that is free during the school year. Johns Hopkins is a major research institution, and research is a year-round phenomenon. To treat 12month residents, particularly faculty, like the exception and not the rule is insulting. While we acknowledge that there may be a need to raise money to operate the gym in the summer, there are other ways to distribute fees without discriminating against yearround students, faculty, and staff.

Clearly, the Athletic Center needs to develop a more equitable policy. Of course we would like the fees not to be in place for the summer at all. However, if the Athletic Center really needs the money, placing the burden squarely on the shoulders of summer residents is not the best policy. Perhaps a five dollar fee can be charged to all students, faculty, and staff who obtain an access card. This fee would provide year-round access to the Athletic Center at a very reasonable rate (less than 50 cents a month).

Of course, if the athletic center continues to charge only summer residents a fee, perhaps it could guarantee court and pool time free of our younger colleagues from CTY and the other camps.

# Nothing New Under the Sun

We here at the News-Letter made the mistake of thinking we were going to do something original this summer. We were wrong.

Thanks to a friendly note from campus art guru Craig Hankin, we now know that twenty years ago a group of News-Letter types similar to ourselves undertook a summer project.

Apparently they tried this over a series of summers, although our archives for those years are a bit sketchy. Aparently they were as fond of filing and paperwork as

At the time, I was eight months old, and the front page of the Washington Post sported a headline that read "Nixon Vows Not To Resign." As the lead article/ editorial acerbically points out "within 48 hours he had turned full circle, tendering his resignation via nationwide television...

Other articles on that front page include a critique of the Pass/Fail system and an article sub-titled "How I Spent My Summer Vacation," That last one encouraged folks to get out of the city while relaying one student's summer job experiences.

Twenty years later, the subject of the lead editorial has passed on, the Pass/Fail system is so entrenched at Hopkins that its removal is nearly unthinkable, and we are ignoring what is probably sound advice and staying in the city for the summer.

I hope Mr. Hankin and the rest of his News-Letter pals can forgive us. In return, we will forgive Mr. Hankin for his contribution to that issue.

-Mark Binker



As you can see, there is nothing new under the sun. My pals and I published a summer News-Letter 20 years ago. The August edition featured a typically tasteless drawing by yours truly.

Craig Hankin



Courtesy of Craig Hankin 25 MPH into a telephone pole. This once lovely and

# Opinion

# Hopkins Breeds Frustration

John Paxton

I am frustrated. I have tried to write this column no less than five times in the last few days. Every time I come up with a brilliant idea, someone reminds me that I don't really know enough about the topic to expound upon it accurately. For instance, right now I am talking to Yonatan Grad about government in the individual's life. We are off-handedly tossing around references to the Federalist Papers, works by Jonathan Kozol, Noam Chomsky and for some reason I cannot fathom, Shakespeare. I would love to write an article about government messing with the people where it shouldn't. The problem is that I don't have the time. That frustrates me. Now, where does the frustration lie specifically?

As far as I can tell, there are two distinct areas: frustration with myself, and frustration with the world. In the former case, I am frustrated that I cannot coalesce the seemingly (reputed) vast pools of facts, quotes and other silly miscellany in my head into a coherent column. Furthermore, I am frustrated because I am writing a column on frustration. Last issue, the masthead called me an "Opinion Writer, Active." Opinion writers don't explore the convoluted nature of frustration. When was the last time you heard George Will discuss his impotence? Never. Alright, this is something that I will have to remedy on my own (or maybe the editors will remedy it for me) and I can't take care of it between now and my deadline.

I am frustrated with the world, then. This is a common condition here at Hopkins. Why? Is Hopkins inherently frustrating? Are there some specific areas of frustration which just seem to overwhelm Hopkins students? O.K., there are the standard complaints: bad dating ratio, academic advising is a joke, the classes are too big and no one pays any attention to us.

But I want to look at the roots of frustration here at JHU. There are common qualities to the frustrations expressed above. Primarily, there is the frustration of denial. If you think about it, this is where most of the above complaints come from. Hopkins men are denied women, Hopkins women denied (according to their complaints, not my analysis) satisfactory men. The members of B-GALA, or D-SAGA are denied everything from dates to basic civil rights (although they tend to get annoyed with the former and take action).

So Hopkins what we are complaining about is the fact of the denial. The denial hurts because it means that someone else possesses that quality, and there is no other difference between us and them. We complain about what we lack: from a championship lacrosse team to a course catalog that isn't filled with conflicts. The average student somehow got it into their head that they deserved these things.

That is the second type of frustration: hopes unfulfilled. Now, this is broader than denial. Denial means that someone, somewhere has something that I ought to have but don't. Hopes are big, not necessarily based in reality. In fact, there is no guarantee that hopes are everfulfilled. However, when hopes are not satisfied, the disappointment hurts all the more. Hopkins has particularly poignant experience with

this as the MCAT scores and medical school acceptances come out every year. Those who are not pre-med can console themselves with the pain of GRE scores and their report cards with GPA's that resemble the ERA of a Cy Young winner. The hope was that when we attended this hallowed university, we would attain a certain status, regardless of pedestrian GPAs. This is not a realistic hope, but it was what we were built up to. If you want to achieve that hope, you have to sacrifice time.

Time, which I have little of both now and forever. In two years, my college experience will end. I will enter the real world. I am still not totally sure what I will bring to that world. The time after that seems to shrink before my eyes. I remember when years were interminably long. That was when a year was one-sixth, or onetenth of my life. Now, I feel old, and the time passes with more speed than ever before. I am totally powerless to stop such acceleration.

This is certainly a frustration of Hopkins. Deadlines loom at the middle and end of every semester. Impotent in the face of professorial demands, students crowd the overwhelmed computer labs writing papers and preparing labs. Although this might have something to do with procrastination, I prefer to think that since all my papers come due at the same time, time is therefore responsible for the fact that none of my papers get done in time.

More down to earth, I am powerless to stop the fact that I have babbled now for more than seven hundred words on the subject of frustration. Then, just as I get going, I run out of space....

# O.J. Overkill

Mark Binker

Focus is important in all aspects of life. Journalists learn this early in their career. An ill-focused camera or incoherent story often loses readers and even its spot on the page. Yet, many of our fellow journalists seem to have focus in the proudest tradition of tabloid journalism.

O.J. Simpson is not the first American icon to fall, nor is this the first time the popular media has sensationalized a hero's fall from grace. But it is a chance for Americans to take a long look at themselves and at the people who bring them the news and to wonder, perhaps even to call for change in the kind of news that is presented and in the way it is brought to us.

I first became aware of the story after I woke one morning, headed out for another workday, and saw that both the Baltimore Sun and the Washington Times had the same full-color photo splashed across the top half of their front

pages. I did not have time to stop and rushed off to work. When I arrived, Simpson was on everyone's lips. "Did you hear he had abused his wife before?" someone asked. 'I hear he wanted to reconcile," said another. When I inquired if anything else was going on in the news, no one

Simpson was one of the greats of football. He dominated the field with strange grace and brutal power. But it was a game. His alleged abuse of his wife is tragic, although not entirely earth-shattering news. There are more important things, like the thousands of other women each year that are

Are the abusive ways of one football player more tragic than the abuse that terrorizes women and children across the nation each day? Is the crime that Simpson committed all that unusual? Does his arrest, conviction, or actions threaten national security or a major economic framework? Most would answer to all these questions,

The media has gone terribly astray in so many ways handling this story. Time's "photo illustration" may be one of the worst. I'm sure the editors would love us to see the effects they used to alter the picture and call forth the image of a heralded paladin, fallen from grace, whose armor is now singed in the flames of hell. I looked at the picture and saw editors who lacked the willpower to await a conviction, who felt the pressure to sell rather than report, who had lost their focus.

If Simpson committed the crimes of which he is accused, he may be painted as representative of the darkest of villains, but only representative. And long after the American people have gorged themselves on O.J.'s sins, long after the media finds another angle upon which to prey, long after a sentence is handed down, hundreds and thousands of men will go on to commit the same crime in anonymity

I guess it is pretty uppity of a college journalist or newspaper to compare themselves to their national counterparts. I'm sure the editors of Time or of the Washington Times would simply scoff and ignore the association. I believe, as long as stories like Simpson's are distorted and put in such limelight, we will happily accept the disasso-

# When Institutions Lie

The following is a unsolicited submission, and does not reflect the views of The News-Letter or its staff.

Robert D. Honigman

The reason I write about the American university is because it is essentially a bankrupt institution that is incapable of telling the truth about itself. Institutions lie, but they don't do it quite the way we as individuals might misstate the truth. For example, they don't deliberately say anything they know is false. You won't catch them making a statement that can be contradicted. That's because, unlike us, they don't know they are lying. They are what we call pathological liars, people who believe in what they say.

The best illustration of what I mean actually comes from another industry, the auto industry. During the 1950s and 1960s the auto industry was often asked to incorporate safety features in cars. Critics wanted collapsible steering wheels, safety belts, padded dashboards, and shatterproof windshields. But the defense made by the auto industry was very plausible. "Look," they said, "we occasionally offer these things as options to our customers and without much exception they won't pay the extra price these safety features cost. So why mandate something that the public won't voluntarily buy?"

It was a good argument, but it omitted one very vital truth. The auto industry spent tens of millions of dollars annually to present an image of the car to the public that was glamorous and exciting. Typical ads showed cars surrounded by beautiful women, occasionally large felines, and once in a while birds. Auto ads have been traditionally banal, with the gleaming and streamlined car mostly being the center of attention. But nowhere in these ads is the truth of an auto represented. That is to say, nowhere do we see thousands of people being pulled out of smashed cars, their lungs compressed by steering wheels, their faces torn by jagged edges of windshield glass, their once bright minds smashed by unpadded dashboards. In other words, the public was sold a picture of the auto that was only half true. If for every ad showing a fast car speeding down a lonely road there were another ad with a picture of Jane Doe and similar accident victims, then there's little doubt that the public would voluntarily buy safety equipment. For example: "Jane Doe is now a vegetable after crashing her car vibrant woman is now tended by round-the-clock nursing care. She doesn't know her name but responds to the voices of her parents with a smile that dribbles out of her mouth. She hit her head against the windshield, which accounts for the long scars across most of her face.'

So the auto industry lied in a sense. It was spending hundreds of millions to influence the public, and then it was saying the public has spoken. The auto industry wasn't going to spend money on ads if they didn't influence the public. So they told only half the truth, and then they reaped a profit by not incorporating safety equipment in their cars.

The dilemma of whether to suppress auto ads or make them display the other side of the picture was resolved by mandatory safety requirements. Auto advertisements continue to present a distorted picture of the truth, but the public are now protected from deception by federal auto safety

My point is that the university system, like the auto industry spends hundreds of millions of dollars annually to influence the public, and like the auto industry, presents only the glamorous side of its function. No doubt the American university has much that is positive. But in a single hour, it spends more resources in self-advertisement than I'll ever earn in a lifetime, in ten lifetimes. So I don't bother writing about what's good about the American university. I try to tell you what's wrong. I add a drop of suspicion into the great ocean of self-praise and selfadulation that glamorizes the modern university. I try to point out the casualties of the transfers of money that take place — huge amounts of money transferred away from ordinary students to support the glitz and glamour of graduate programs and research projects. I try to explain that research prestige is mostly a public relations game that shields the giant institution from recognition that its educational programs are bankrupt. I try to explain that young people searching for guidance and direction are lost in the

I don't kid myself that I make any impression on the industry. It will always claim it's doing great good and only giving the public what they want. But I might just reach some of its victims and let them see the real dangers and hazards they face. And maybe some day we can get legislation that will be the educational equivalent of mandatory safety belts, shatterproof windshields, and collapsible steering wheels. If we could just stop the transfers of money, that

# The 'U.C. Initials, U.R. Winner' Quiz

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"Don't feel sorry for me. I've had a great life, great friends, please think of the real O.J. and not this lost person."

—Orenthal James (O.J.) Simpson in a letter to the public, Friday, June 17, 1994.

So—when will the first made-for-TV movie come out and who's going to play O.J. Simpson? The ratings would be enormous—an estimated audience of 19 million watched live pictures of Al Cowlings driving with Simpson on the Southern California freeways. The chase lasted well over an hour, the car was going a blazing 50 miles per hour, and NBC even cut away from Game Five of the Knicks-Rockets series to provide live coverage. Clearly, the events of June 17 represent a surreal moment in American cultural history that few who witnessed are likely to forget.

Poor Tonya Harding. Within a week of O.J.'s arrest, Harding had made a deal to become a professional wrestling manager AND landed a movie role—in which her character gets to kill her manager. Still, O.J. Simpson kept her off the front pages of even the sleaziest tabloids. Just a few days before the Nicole Simpson murder, the tabloids were headlining news of Harding's reconciliation with exhusband Jeff Gillooly, complete with details of their "encounters" at Motel 6 (did they leave the light on for them?). Now she's yesterday's news.

The QM took quite a bit of criticism for remaining a Tonya Harding fan (with reservations) even after the attack on Nancy Kerrigan. What does that say about the people who lined the streets of Los Angeles cheering on O.J. Simpson during his flee from justice? While there was a certain voyeuristic curiosity factor involved in watching that truly bizarre event, it's a bit sick to rally behind a fugitive from justice who had been indicted on murder charges. Hey—Tonya only pleaded guilty to conspiring to hinder an investigation for whacking someone in the knee. Why then, does O.J. seem to be getting more public sympathy than Tonya? Could it have anything to do with physical appearance (beauty, not race)?

This month's quiz is about people who use two initials instead of a first name. Oddly, researching the quiz (thanks for your help, Ursula) led the QM to a lot of two initialed writers. The quiz tends to skew in the direction of authors and athletes. Very few politicians were found. The QM ran across lots of TV and movie characters, but very few actors. Okay, enough weird observations. The quiz is due in the QM's box at the Gatehouse at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13. Before the QM forgets, he'd like to acknowledge one of the great international sporting events of the last hundred years or so. Of



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course, he is talking about Wimbledon and is pulling for Martina Navratilova to take a tenth singles title. Anyway, good luck to her and to all quiz entrants—bring those entries down to the J.H. News-Letter and into Q.M. Box and U.C. Beer if you win.

- 1. Inventor of the box that psychologists use to shock rats.
- 2. He was the so-called "greatest showman on earth" and his name still graces the nation's largest circus.
- 3. Philadelphia-born radio, stage, and movie comedian who died on Christmas Day, 1946.
- 4. Canadian singer who stars in "Salmonberries" which played at the Charles Theater last week.
  - 5. us poet whose works include tulips and chimneys
- 6. British sci-fi novelist whose books include "The Time Machine" and "War of the Worlds."
- 7. Four-time Indy 500 champ who last won the race in 1977.
- 8. Pop singer who topped the charts in 1970 with "Raindrops Are Falling On My Head.'
- 9. Author of "Women in Love" and "Lady Chatterley's Lover." 10. He was shot by Kristin Shepard (Mary Crosby) on March 21,

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- 11. President of South Africa that preceded Nelson Mandela.
- 12. Former Laker and current Phoenix Sun who was the subject of a Focus on Family cover story about virginity called "Willing to Wait."
  - 13. Author of "Winnie-the Pooh."
- 14. Baltimore humorist/writer—the release of his diaries in 1989 was controversial because it revealed racism in his character.
- 15. Chinese-American architect who designed the East Wing of the National Gallery of Art as well as the glass pyramid entrance to the Louvre.
  - 16. Author of "The Catcher in the Rye."
- 17. New York Giants quarterback who shared his second NFL Most Valuable Player award with Jim Brown.
- 18. Former Seton Hall basketball coach who accepted the head coaching job with Portland Trail Blazers last week.
- 19. His poems are the subject of a Broadway play currently playing at the Winter Garden Theater.
- 20. Former News-Letter arts editor who is now the pop music critic for the Baltimore Sun.

Bonus/tiebreaker: For each of the above answers, name what the initials stand for (if anything).

Last month's Presidential Spouses quiz produced six entries. Most slipped up on one or two questions. The Nelsons were back and perfect, except for the bonus question. The winner, with total perfection, is Peter "Winning A Quiz Is Better Than Being President" Dolkart. Congratulations and stop by the Gatehouse and we'll try to figure out how to deal with getting your prize.

The answers to last month's quiz are: 1. Jane Wyman 2. Edith Wilson 3. Rosalynn Carter 4. Eleanor Roosevelt 5. Lady Bird Johnson 6. Dolley Madison 7. Lucy Hayes 8. Barbara Bush 9. James Buchanan 10. Betty Ford 11. Jacqueline Onassis 12. her marriage to Aristotle Onassis 13. Abigail Adams 14. Frances Cleveland 15. Rachel Jackson 16. Bess Truman 17. Anna Harrison 18. Mary Todd Lincoln 19. Patti LuPone 20. Pat Nixon.

Bonus/tiebreaker: Hillary Rodham Clinton, Barbara Pierce Bush, Nancy Davis Reagan, Rosalynn Smith Carter, Elizabeth Bloomer Ford, Thelma Ryan Nixon, Claudia Taylor Johnson, Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy (Onassis), Mamie Doud Eisenhower, Elizabeth Wallace Truman.

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32 Void 34 Blemishes

38 Apparel

40 So be it!

41 Opening for coins 43 Perfect images

46 Lukewarm

47 Pork cut 48 Amour

37 Not as plentiful

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